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Soviet Action

THE promised "dramatic" announcement by Russia on disarmament has materialized. It amounts to a reduction in the Soviet armed forces of 1,200,000 between now and next May, the putting into mothballs of 375 warships and the scrapping of several air force squadrons.

The announcement, if not deserving the description of "dramatic" is not unimpressive, and its timing possesses some significance. Manifestly it is intended to have its effect on the French Premier and his Foreign Minister on the eve of their visit to Moscow, more especially as it set out to support the recently expressed French view that world disarmament measures need not of necessity be wholly dependent on a settlement of the German problem.

This is the wedge the Russian leaders undoubtedly hope to drive between the thinking of France and her Western allies on subjects such as disarmament and German unification. They are unlikely to succeed, but the proposed reduction in Soviet armed forces provides the Kremlin leaders with a good basis for arguing that they are indulging in deeds, and not merely words.

TAKEN at face value, Russia proposes to effect quite substantial cuts in her military manpower—to the latest reduction of 1,200,000 must be added the 650,000 which she announced some months ago. Nevertheless the figures must be evaluated to post-war disarmament and rearmament as a whole, if they are to be held in correct perspective.

At the end of World War II, the Western powers immediately began disarming, in the expectation that Russia would do likewise. On the contrary Russia embarked on a programme of building up armed forces far beyond peace-time requirements. Simultaneously she set out to build a huge war fleet and to create an offensive air force.

In so doing she forced her former Western allies to call a halt to their own domestic disarmament programmes, to create for themselves a defensive alliance, and to build up military strength sufficient to deter Russian aggression in the West.

It is against this background, and the still numerically inferior standing armies and operational air forces of the Western powers, that the present disarming action of the Soviets must be viewed and appreciated. It can be welcomed, but it does not mean that Russia will seriously weaken her military strength because of it.

THIS may be a genuine Soviet endeavour to encourage a world disarmament agreement, but the proposed new cuts in her military manpower may also have been partially dictated by internal economic circumstances. The cost of maintaining standing armies, navies and air forces of the Russian proportions is a severe strain on the nation's resources. Moreover the manpower so employed is unproductive.

It is noticeable that the Russian announcement allied the disarming action with the "grandiose plan of Socialist development of our country and the raising of the Soviet people's standard of living." The suggestion is that the Soviet leaders now realise that Russia's internal economy needs strengthening, particularly in the output of primary products. To achieve this, and to increase production of other types of consumer goods, very much more manpower is needed on the land and in the factories.

But whatever the motivating factor, the Russian action will help still further to lessen international tension, and as such it merits acknowledgment.

RUSSIA'S BIG ARMS CUT

MOSCOW PLEA TO WEST TO 'FOLLOW OUR EXAMPLE' FURTHER REDUCTION POSSIBLE

Russia announced today it would cut its armed forces by 1,200,000 before May 1, next year.

What The West

Thinks About It All

LONDON

British sources said last night the proposed reduction reflected Soviet belief that conventional arms and armies were becoming obsolete in modern warfare.

They said another reason why to challenge the Western powers into making corresponding cuts in the levels of their armed forces.

The move was not unexpected. When the five-nation disarmament talks ended in deadlock 10 days ago, leaders of the Western delegations forecast that Russia would soon announce a spectacular cut in her forces.

WASHINGTON

Officials searched cautiously for loopholes in the Moscow announcement.

It was pointed out that the true significance of this cut in terms of global disarmament could not be properly assessed until the Soviet Union responded to the United States' suggestion that it disclose the existing total of its armed services manpower.

America has already made public the total number of men of its armed forces—2,000,000.

The timing of the announcement on the eve of the opening of Soviet-French talks in Moscow is regarded as another reason for treating it primarily as a propaganda gesture.—Reuter.

HK Prison Official's Evidence At Inquiry

Kampala, May 14. Gilbert Roy Pickett, Assistant Commissioner of Prisons in Hongkong, testified today in the investigation of the Uganda Central Prison, of which he was formerly Superintendent.

He told the investigating Commission there was "continual friction at the top of the Prisons Department." He said that the Assistant Commissioner, John Redman, who visited the prison weekly, never went near the Superintendent's office.

"Sometimes I never knew he was in the prison," he said. Mr. Pickett denied that he had known that alcohol, cigarettes and food were brought into the prison illegally or that prisoners went outside for trysts with African women.

He admitted that one prisoner, Robert McKenrow, who worked in the office, "might have been in a position to allocate the wardens' duties and housing."

Mr. Pickett came to Uganda by plane for the hearing.—United Press.

Moscow, May 14. A Soviet Government announcement said 63 divisions would be disbanded, including three Air Force divisions and 30,000 men stationed in East Germany.

Western estimates place the present strength of the Soviet forces at about 4,000,000. There are 175 land divisions, "the greatest land force in the world today," according to General Alfred Gruenther, retiring Supreme Allied Commander in Europe.

The Soviet announcement said Russia would be ready to consider the question of further reductions of the armed forces of the USSR if the Western powers—the United States of America, Britain and France—for their part would carry out a corresponding reduction of their armed forces and armaments.

The announcement, disclosed at a press conference in the Soviet Foreign Ministry, said 375 ships of the Soviet Navy would be put into reserve. There would be a proportionate reduction in Soviet budget expenditure for military needs and in arms reductions.

The announcement said the reduction did not include the 640,000 men who were demobilised a year ago. It added that if the Western powers made similar reductions it would be "an important stage on the road of realising a complete programme of disarmament and would create real conditions for the speeding up of a solution on the question of banning atomic and hydrogen weapons."

EXPLAINS WHY

The Soviet Government said it had taken this action "with the desire of playing a new part in the matter of disarmament and ensuring peace, of striving to create still more favourable conditions for peaceful economic and cultural constructions in the Soviet Union."

"Undertaking this new and very great reduction in the number of the Soviet armed forces and armaments, the Soviet Government is striving to contribute towards the practical realisation of a disarmament programme which is under examination by the United Nations."

"Taking this decision, the Soviet Government takes into account that as for Europe, the French people and the British people just as the peoples of the Soviet Union and other peace loving European states, do not want war, or the terrible consequences which they are still suffering from today."

The announcement said the demobilised men would be given the opportunity to work in industry and agriculture.

The demobilisation of 1,200,000 men would "play a great part in the further raising of all branches of the national economy of the USSR."

'FOR PEACE'

The statement added "at the same time, this further reduction of military expenditure in the USSR state budget will make it possible to direct the resources so released towards peaceful construction."

"In order to carry out still more successfully the grandiose plan of Socialist development of our country and the raising of the Soviet people's living standards."

The announcement said the Soviet Union "will not relax its vigilance and will be on guard against the intrigues of forces hostile to the cause of peace and peaceful co-existence between nations."

"But, it added that the "forces of peace" were at present sufficiently strong and well organized "to give a due rebuttal to any attempt to violate the peace."

Mr. Leonide Ilychev, the Foreign Ministry Press Chief, who held the press conference, declined to answer reporters' questions on the present strength of Soviet forces.—Reuter.

DOG SHOOT MAN

Cape Town, May 14. Barry Lamprecht of Tondeville, was making satisfactory progress in hospital today after being shot by his dog.

The dog trod on the trigger as Barry picked up a loaded shot gun.

The gun went off and the pellets hit him in the side.—China Mail Special.

H-Explosion Tomorrow?

Improving conditions forecast by weather observers today raised hope that the Bikini H-bomb may be dropped on Wednesday.—United Press.

This Is Baby Roy



This picture just received from London shows Baby Roy and his mother, Mrs. Rennie Davenport.

Before Roy was born in March doctors estimated that unless they could drain him completely of his blood and pump new blood into him he would die within an hour.

For they found in his mother's blood a rare factor called "Little E", which they knew would kill the baby unless removed and replaced with a rare blood group.

The transfusion succeeded. And today Baby Roy is a normal, healthy fellow—as the picture shows.

Britain May Send More Samples To China

London, May 14. Britain is to make more use of the "exemption procedure" to send certain "classified" goods to Communist China, the Minister of State at the Foreign Office, Mr. Anthony Nutting said today.

At the same time Britain was pressing America to permit a general revision of the China embargo to bring it into line with the less stringent embargo applied to Soviet Russia and its satellites.

A spokesman of the Board of Trade said that the exemption procedure referred to by Mr. Nutting consisted of notifying "Chincom" (the China Committee of Cocom or the Nat. Com-sultative Group of Paris) by member governments that they intended to authorize the export of certain banned goods to China as samples, while awaiting an international decision on whether the particular item can be completely removed from the list.

Such an exemption was recently made when Britain allowed the export of about 60 tractors to China as "samples."

The Chinese authorities have made it known that they are prepared to buy from Britain 1,400,000 tractors.—France-Press.

Sir John MacPherson, formerly Governor-General of Nigeria, has been appointed Permanent Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies in succession to Sir Thomas Lloyd, who is retiring in August. It was announced tonight.—Reuter.

MISSING FROGMAN DEBATE: EDEN IN ANGRY SCENE

London, May 14. The Prime Minister, Sir Anthony Eden, refused tonight to disclose "one word more" about the case of the British frogman, missing and "presumed" to have died on a mysterious mission under the hull of a visiting Russian warship.

He said only that the mission was undertaken without the knowledge of the Government and that disciplinary steps had been taken.

"I have not one word more to say than I announced, on Wednesday," said Sir Anthony when he replied to Mr. Gaiskell today.

But he had one comment on the "second part" of last Wednesday's statement, in which he said Commander Crabbe went on his mission without the authority of the Government.

'SHAMEFUL'

He was presumed killed on April 19 while swimming in Portsmouth harbour near the Soviet cruiser that brought Mr. Khrushchev and Marshal Bulganin to Britain.

The Soviet press has called it "shameful espionage." But Sir Anthony refused last Wednesday to tell the House whether Commander Crabbe was spying on the cruiser.

'ALGERIA FIGHTING OVER BY AUTUMN'

Algiers, May 14. The Resident Minister in Algeria, M. Robert Lacoste said tonight that he thought order would be restored in Algeria by the end of the summer.

M. Lacoste said: "I promised 'no miracle, for recent memories are too cruel. But I bring you reasonable hope and I believe that by the end of the summer, we shall be able to say to our critics that law and order reigns in Algeria."

He said the Algerian problem could not be settled by arms alone. But he said it was not the moment to engage in hasty negotiations "just at the moment when the Army, after plunging to the depths of the abyss last February, had regained its profound belief in its mission."

He praised the morale of reservists drafted to Algeria and promised the systematic stamping out of terrorism.—France-Press.

Rebel Force Wiped Out Near Algiers

Algiers, May 14. French armoured units and helicopter-borne troops today wiped out a rebel force in a battle only 15 miles south of Algiers.

The action was ordered after a number of terrorist attacks in the area, culminating in an abortive attempt on the life of the Mayor of the village of Rivet.

The rebels had their headquarters in a fortified house on the outskirts of Rivet. As French troops approached their hideout a lively exchange of fire took place.

Then tanks attacked demolishing the fortified house.

In the ruins of the building, French troops found the bodies of 16 rebels in uniform, one of them bearing the insignia of a lieutenant. Forty-five prisoners were taken and arms seized.

French forces suffered five wounded in the battle. Four of five French tank-truck drivers who were kidnapped in a rebel ambush in the Oran region "this" morning, were later recovered by a French patrol.

Twenty rebels were killed by security forces which went into action in this area after the attack on the tank-trucks.—France-Press.

Snuffed Out. The Minister of Health, Mr. R. H. Turpin, told Parliament tonight that a statistical inquiry undertaken in Britain had failed to show any relation between lung cancer and the taking of snuff.—United Press.

Cyprus Censure Motion Defeated

London, May 14. A stormy House of Commons debate on Cyprus ended tonight with the Government defeating a Labour censure motion by 314 votes to 236.

The Colonial Secretary, Mr. Alan Lennox-Boyd, created uproar by referring to documents which he said showed that the Labour Government in 1951 had turned down Greek proposals that the island should be ceded to Greece.

The Labour Party is pressing that Cyprus should be granted self-determination. Mr. Aneurin Bevan and other Labour leaders noisily argued for 10 minutes that the Government had no right to refer to documents that the House had no chance to examine.

Murderous Blackmail

Mr. Lennox-Boyd reported: "These documents are known to many people in Greece and I think it is about time that the people in the United Kingdom know them too."

He spoke of the "blackmail" in Cyprus and declared: "If anyone seriously suggests that British Government could possibly surrender to this form of murderous blackmail then I think they do not understand the real feelings of the British people."

The debate has opened by Mr. James Griffiths, deputy Leader of the Opposition, who urged the Government to bring the exiled Archbishop Makarios and a representative of the Cypriot Ephantury Council to London to discuss a settlement of the Cyprus problem.—Reuter.

Russian Writer Shoots Himself

Moscow, May 14. The famous Russian novelist, Alexander Fadeev, shot himself in a fit of alcoholic depression, the official news agency Tass reported today.

Fadeev's death on Sunday had been announced in Moscow, but only today were correspondents permitted to write that he took his own life.

The novelist had been a chronic alcoholic and was in great pain for several years, Tass said. On Sunday, he shot himself during a drinking bout in his Moscow apartment, it added.

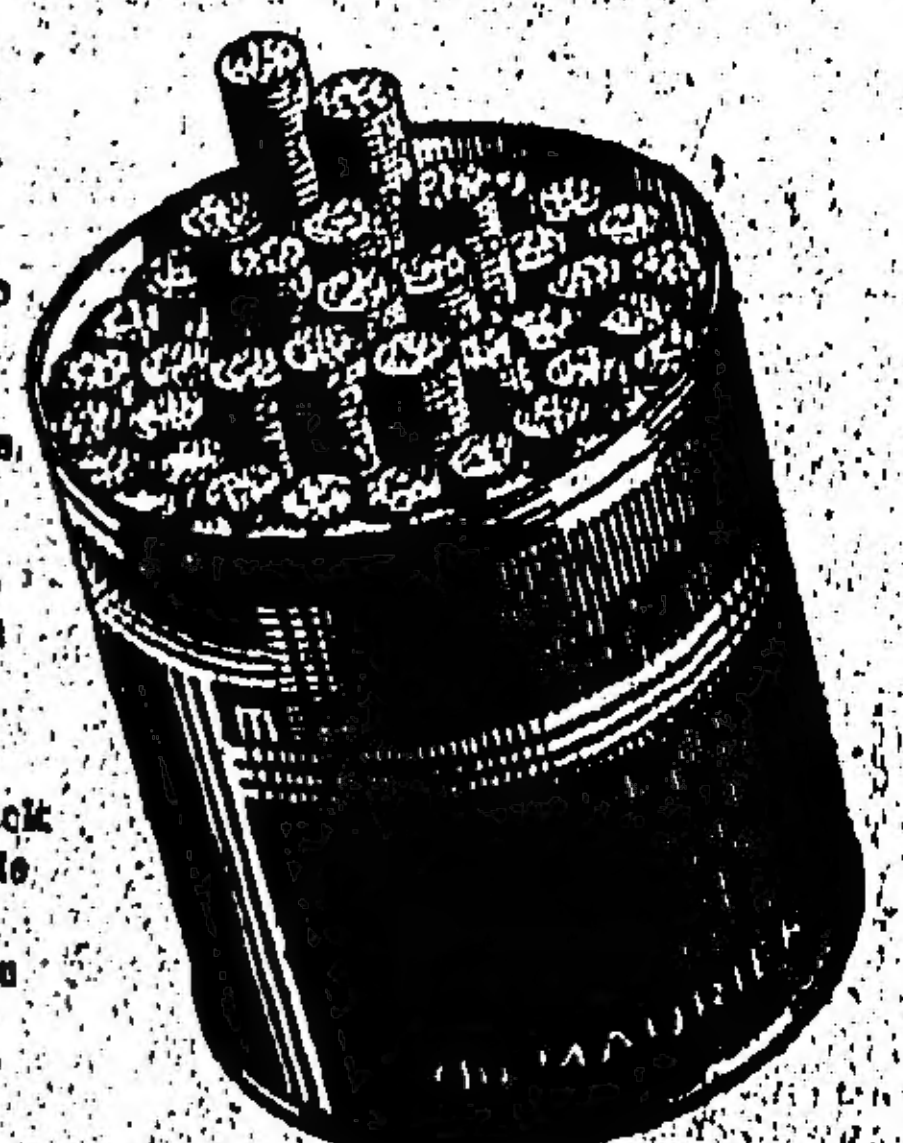
Medical treatment of the novelist during his extended period of alcoholism had not been successful.—United Press.

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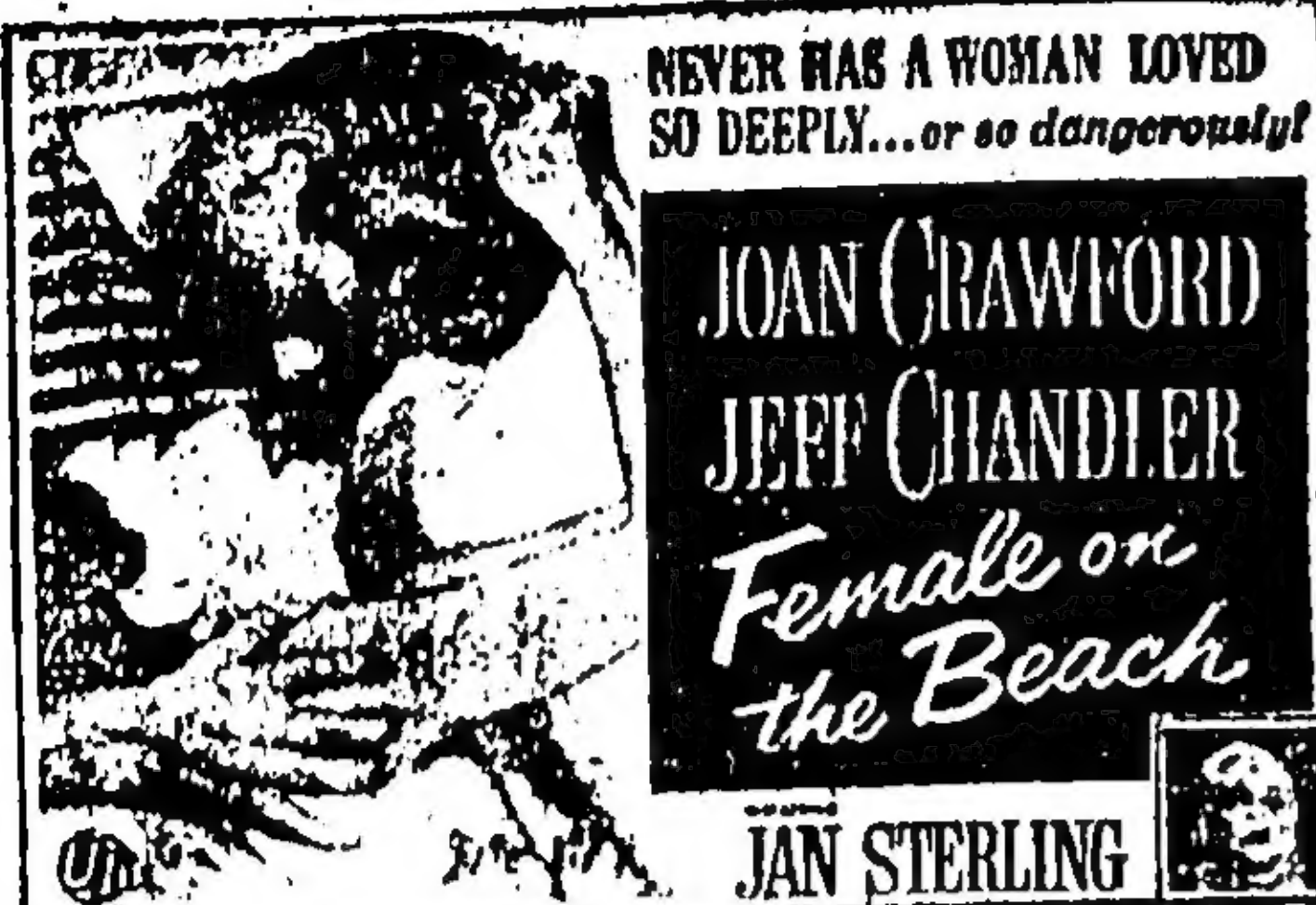


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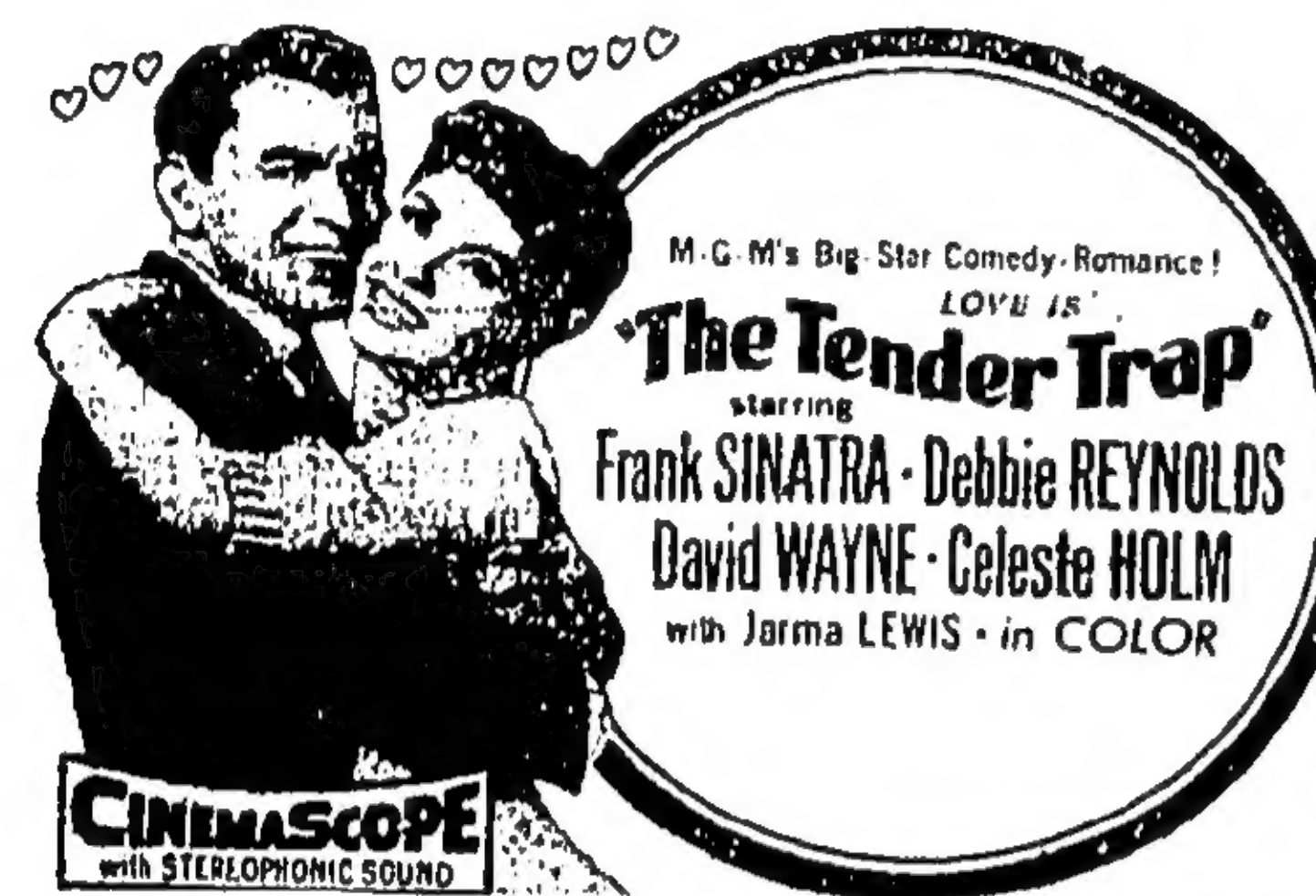
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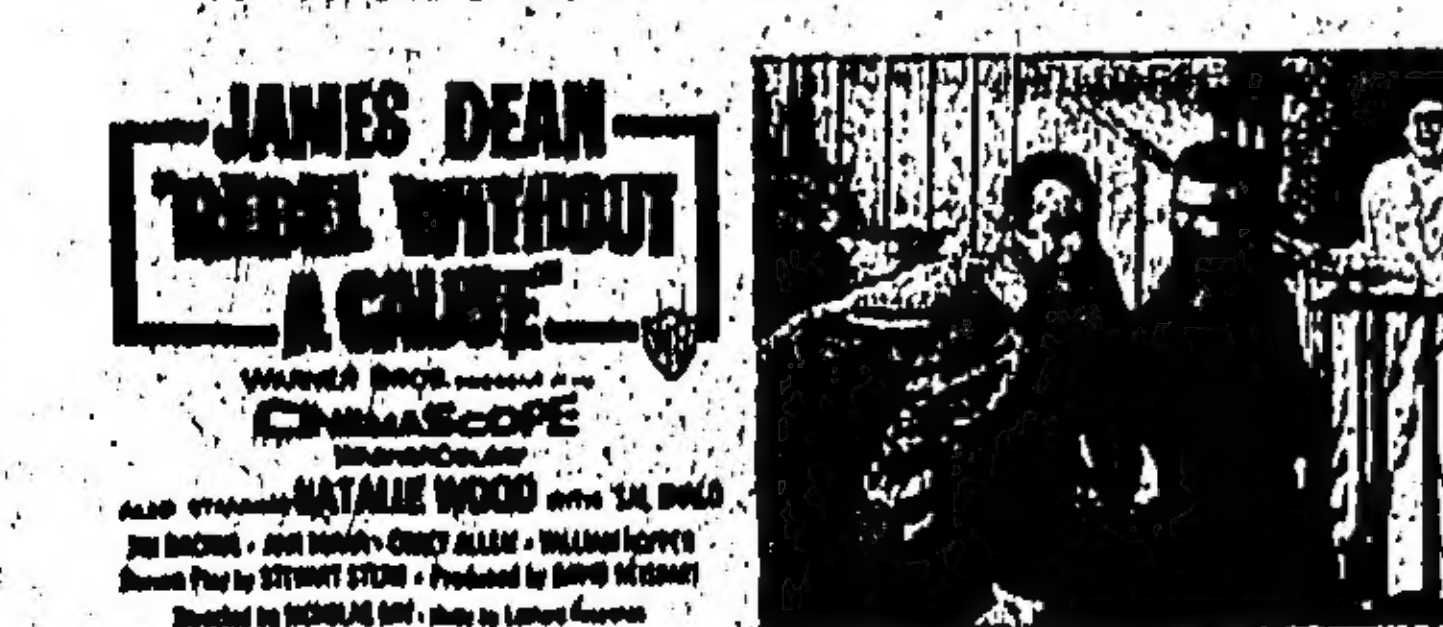


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Fishing Pact Welcomed

BUT RUSSIA MAY USE IT TO BARGAIN LATER

By Ralph Harris

Washington, May 14.
The Soviet Union's withdrawal of political conditions from its proposed short-term fishing pact with Japan was regarded here as a big step towards an eventual peace settlement between the two nations.

Japanese sources here said it now looked as though agreement on a peace treaty and an exchange of ambassadors would be reached by next spring at the latest.

The peace negotiations between Moscow and Tokyo are deadlocked over Japan's claim for island possessions occupied by Soviet forces since the end of the Second World War.

Feeling Tempered

The Soviet Union's sudden change in position was as welcome as it was unexpected, according to Japanese opinion here.

Its withdrawal of the demanded overall peace settlement first was described as a substantial victory for Japan, although this jubilant feeling was tempered by the realization that the short-term fishing agreement probably would place a low ceiling on the salmon catch.

Although the terms of this agreement were not known, it was not expected that the Japanese fishermen would be permitted to catch more than 25,000,000 salmon in the current season.

A catch of this size would be much smaller than pre-war hauls and would represent a serious blow to the fleet and the Japanese people, which relies on fish for most of its protein.

But the agreement was viewed as the best possible arrangement in present circumstances as the Soviet Union was no longer trying to link it with a peace treaty, it was greeted as a good omen for future Soviet-Japanese negotiations.

On the other hand, informed sources said, the fishing dispute which is a subtle political overture could again be the obstacle to a peace treaty when the talks were resumed, probably late this summer.

Taken Seriously

At that time, Japan is expected to press forward with its territorial claims. The Soviet Union then could refuse to raise the ceiling on the salmon catch unless the Japanese withdrew these claims.

This is a possibility taken seriously here, but Japanese officials for the time being are expressing themselves as encouraged by the Soviet's agreement today.

London, diplomatic quarters saw the agreement as a success for the tough negotiating of Mr. Ichiro Kono. But full comment was withheld pending publication of the

Athens Demonstration



Decision by Cyprus Governor Sir John Harding to proceed with the hanging of two Cypriot gunmen caused demonstrations last Wednesday in the Greek capital. Police and rioters clashed, and police blocked all approaches to the British Embassy. Picture top shows youths stoning police during the demonstration; picture bottom shows police returning the volley of stones. The gunmen were hanged early Thursday morning.—Express Photo.

Storm Approaches Atom Area

Onslow, West Australia, May 15.

Meteorologists anxiously watched the progress today of a coastal storm which may delay testing of the most powerful atomic device yet produced by British scientists.

Weathermen and physicists huddled over charts aboard the flagship of the Royal Navy's atomic task force off the Montebello Islands, hoping a low pressure area off West Australia would not force them to delay tests planned for Wednesday morning.

Unspectacular

Despite official statements that the forthcoming detonation would be "small and unspectacular", evidence indicated that the blast would be far more powerful than the 1952 test at Montebello.

Whereas ships and planes were restricted 150 miles off Flag Island in the Montebello chain in 1952, planes are now warned to stay 400 miles from Flag Island in the forthcoming tests and ships 150 miles off.

Observers along this desolate West Australian coast report activity "ten times greater" than in 1952.

The test will be a tower shot from one of the low-lying, scrub-covered Montebello Islands which parallel the West Australian coast some 40 miles offshore.

It will be the only one attempted unless the testers fail to obtain data they are seeking.

Trigger?

Scientists are silent regarding speculation that the weapon being tested is the trigger for Britain's forthcoming hydrogen bomb tests planned for later this year.—United Press.

Elections Postponed

Rangoon, May 14.
Elections in Rangoon city for three members of the Burmese Upper House have been postponed from May 22 to May 31, it was announced here today.

The Rangoon election officer said the original date was too close to May 24, when Burma celebrates the 2,500th anniversary of the foundation of Buddhism.

The postponement affects only Rangoon city. Dr. Ba U, the Burmese President, said today the new Burmese Parliament will meet on June 7 following general elections.—Reuter.

US 'DUMPING' IN INDONESIA WILL DISRUPT S.E.A. TRADE PATTERN.

Singapore, May 14.

American "dumping" of surplus agricultural produce in Indonesia would disrupt the pattern of trade in this area, the influential Chinese newspaper Nanyang Siang Pao claimed here today.

Nanyang suggested editorially that a more effective step would be to reduce American consumption of synthetic rubber and buy more natural rubber. This would raise the price a few cents a pound. "Indonesia would derive several times more from

her annual export of 700,000 tons of natural rubber than she could get from the free supply of United States agricultural surpluses," the paper said.

Supply of 250,000 tons of American rice to Indonesia would reduce Indonesian buyers from Thailand and Burma, and the paper said, and would mean that Indonesia would stop her small seasonal purchases from Malaysia. This could mean a fall in price for rice-producing countries and bankruptcy for farmers.

American disposal of flour, cigarettes and piece goods would cut deeply into Malaysia's export trade, the paper said.

The new policy would also encourage Japan, the Netherlands, Britain and West Germany to manufacture piece goods for Indonesia with surplus American cotton and these former regular customers of Malaysia would be forced to buy rubber, pepper, tea and coffee direct from Indonesia, taking away still more of Malaysia's trade.—Reuter.

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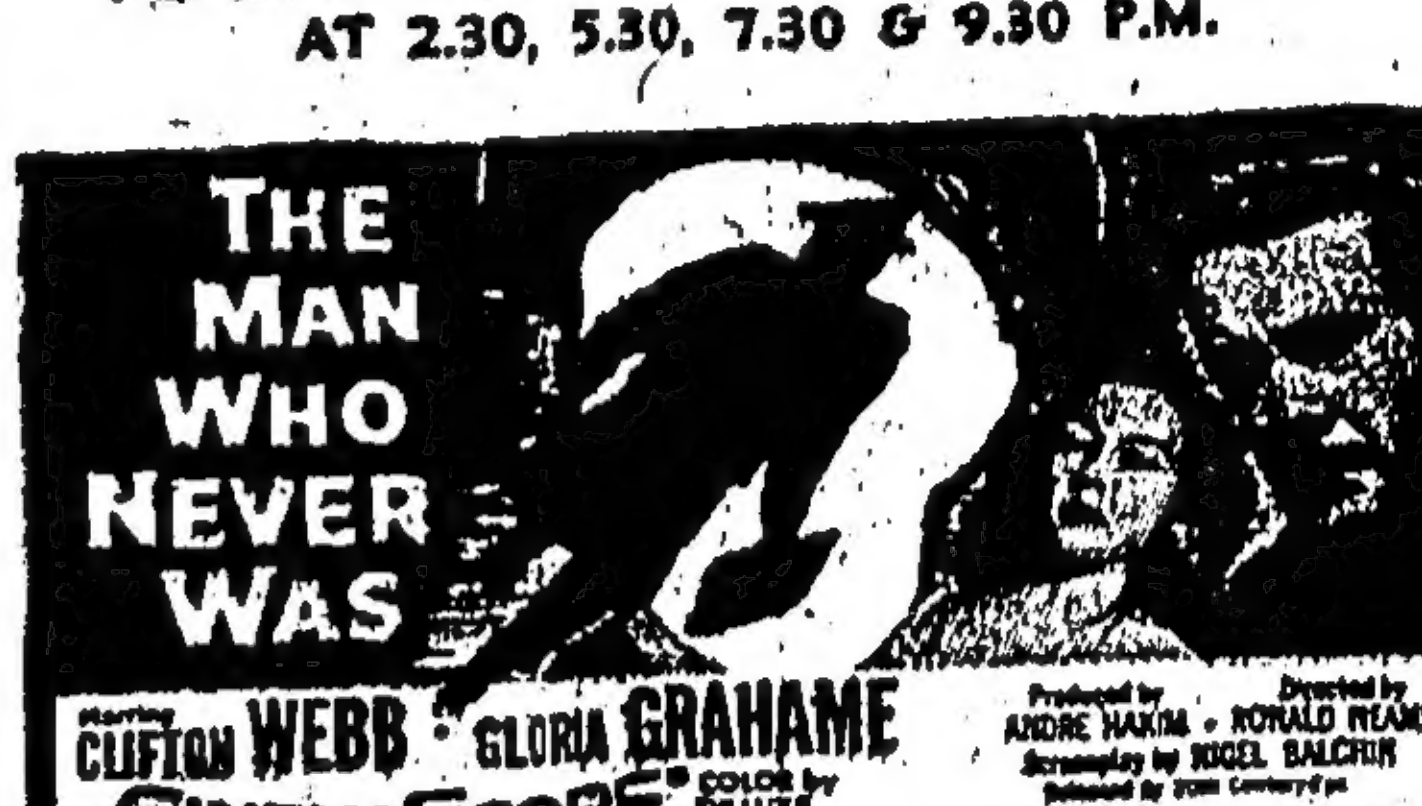
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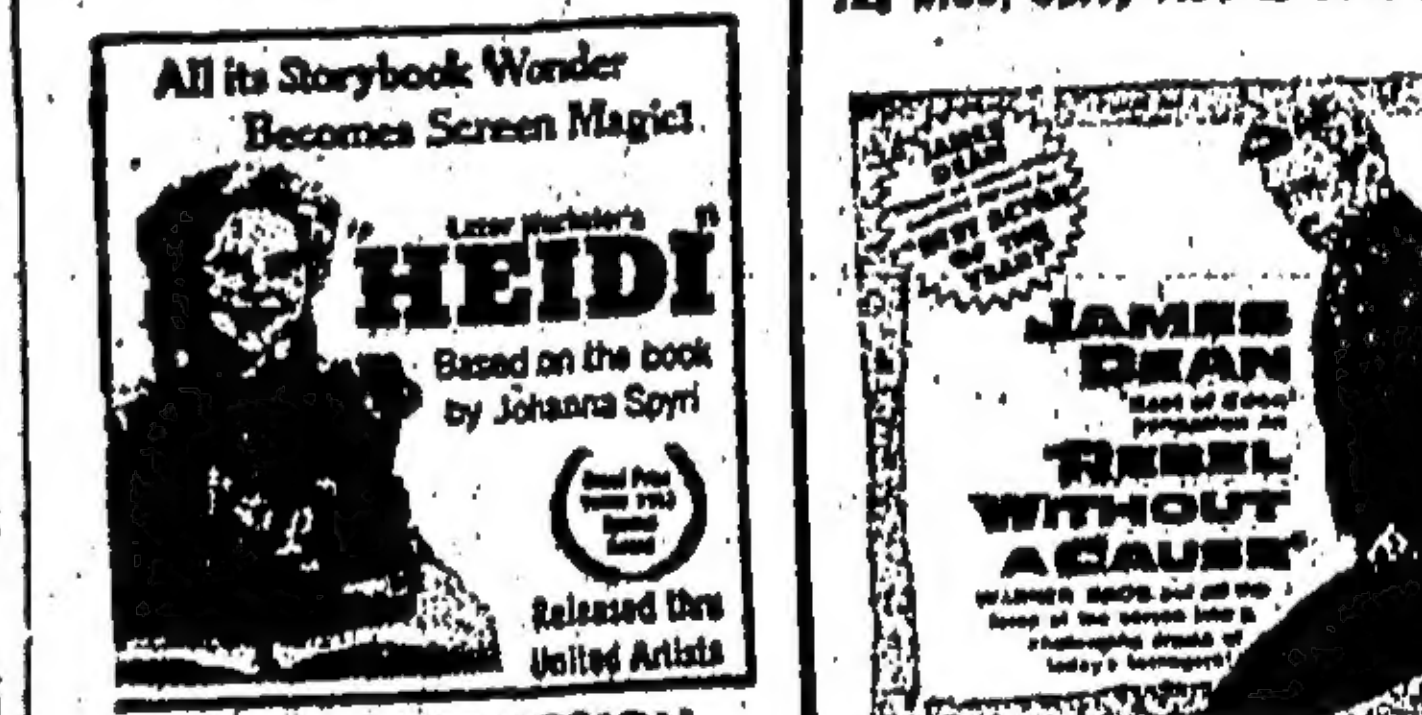
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Iron Curtain Introduces Hire Purchase

Vienna, May 14.
At a time when Britain is putting the squeeze on credit schemes such as hire purchase, Poland and Hungary, two of the Soviet satellites in Eastern Europe, are introducing it. Finding their stock of luxury goods growing, as few Polish or Hungarian citizens have the ready cash to buy radio sets, refrigerators, vacuum cleaners, pianos, and similar luxuries, the two governments have started hire-purchase schemes.

NOT EASY

Radio Warsaw, a news agency, said that Poland is introducing a hire purchase plan for 2,000 radios (1,178 sterling) in from six to ten instalments. The radio will be sold at a 10 per cent discount. The hire purchase plan will be introduced in Hungary, a newspaper appearing in Budapest, Hungary, also has been authorised to sell on hire-purchase terms.

Each hire purchase plan has a "monthly book" in which the monthly payments are recorded. They are allowed to buy until the monthly payments reach 33 per cent of the purchase price. — China Mail Special.

GERMANS WELCOMED IN ATHENS

Athens, May 15.
Greek ministers are expected to put their views on foreign affairs today to Dr Heinrich von Brentano, West German Foreign Minister, who arrived here yesterday with President Theodor Heuss of West Germany.

Professor Heuss, making his first trip abroad as President, was given a warm welcome as he arrived in Athens at the start of his 10-day state visit. Police stood by, but Athenians who greeted Hitler's troops with shattered windows and empty streets years ago, hung out German flags today. The visit is seen here as the crowning point in the restoration of friendly relations between the two countries. — Reuter.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS
1 Implied (5).
4 Examines thoroughly (6).
8 Highly pleased (6).
10 Mistake (5).
12 Crime (6).
14 Earnest (7).
17 Fewer (4).
18 Agrees to (7).
20 Piece cut off (7).
22 Kind of vetch (4).
23 Street traders (7).
27 Exile (6).
28 Holiness (5).
30 Last (6).
31 Site direction (6).
32 Riddle (5).

AID BUDGET Major Cuts Would Affect Defence Of United States

Washington, May 14.
Defence Secretary Charles E. Wilson told Senators today that any major cut in President Eisenhower's \$3 billion foreign aid programme "would present serious risks to the defence of the United States."

He said it also would require a complete overhaul of the US defence budget, which was based on the expectation that arms aid would continue flowing to America's allies.

Mr Wilson testified before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee in support of President Eisenhower's request for \$4.9 billion in foreign aid funds for the year starting July 1. About \$3 billion would be for military aid.

Backed Up

"To cut military assistance substantially at this time," Mr Wilson said, "would present serious risks to the defence of the United States and the free world and would require a complete re-evaluation of our international position and of our own military budgets."

Adm. Arthur W. Radford, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, backed up Mr Wilson's plea for the full amount of requested funds. He said the programme is the "main trouble between us and ourselves."

Any substantial reduction in the request would have serious adverse effects upon the continued building of military strength in the free world and, at the same time, would have equally dangerous psychological implications. — Adm. Radford said.

Advanced Weapons

Both Mr Wilson and Adm. Radford stressed the importance of the \$3.9 billion included in the programme for furnishing advanced weapons such as missiles to allies. They said it is important to furnish the first of these weapons as soon as possible so allied nations can begin training personnel to use them.

Although the \$3 billion requested for military aid is substantially above funds voted for the current fiscal year, Adm. Radford said "the programme is austere to the degree that any major reduction would require a complete re-evaluation of our own military programme."

Adm. Radford said "there are many valid reasons" why it is better to help allied nations maintain their armed forces through military assistance than to "attempt to provide US soldiers in the absence of those forces."

Change Of Tactics

Senator J. William Fulbright asked Mr Wilson if heavy US arms shipments to Pakistan might not be "nullifying" what he said was the "main trouble between us and ourselves."

Mr Wilson said a decision in that field would lie with the State Department rather than Defence.

Sen. Fulbright also questioned Radford about the admiral's statement that Russia has changed her tactics. If that is so, Sen. Fulbright said, "why shouldn't we change our tactics?"

He asked "wouldn't it be a little slow witted on our part to build up the military (aspects) while Russian concentrates on winning friends through economic and technical aid?"

Adm. Radford said he wasn't advocating increased military aid but added, "I think we have to maintain it."

Clearer View

Adm. Radford and Mr Wilson said they thought the military programme is necessary until a clearer view can be obtained of Russian plans.

Adm. Radford told the Committee that NATO's strength has been weakened by the movement of French troops to North Africa, but said the troops could be rapidly redeployed back to Europe in the event of a general emergency.

The question of the French divisions in North Africa was raised by Senator H. Alexander Smith, who asked to what extent American arms are being used against nationalists in North Africa and whether NATO has been weakened by the transfer of French divisions to North Africa.

He said NATO has been weakened by the removal of French divisions to North Africa.

But Adm. Radford said that in the event of a general emergency, the French troops could be rather rapidly redeployed to Europe. This, he said, makes the situation less serious. — United Press.

CARRIERS HOME

London, May 14.
Two of the Royal Navy's most up-to-date aircraft carriers, Albion and Centaur (both 22,000 tons) arrive back in British waters tomorrow after a tour of duty in the Far East lasting nearly five months.

The Centaur will arrive at Devonport in the morning and the Albion at Portsmouth in the afternoon.

The carriers have taken part in exercises with ships of the Royal Australian and Royal New Zealand navies. — France Press.

English As She Is Spoke —By The RAF

Cologne, May 14.
Students of English at Cologne University are soon to be introduced to English as she is spoke — by the Royal Air Force.

"Stationmasters with scrambled eggs and fruit-salad supervising gen-men with gongs who can look into the crystal ball and forecast rockets for prizes who prang" is an example of the English which Dr Paul Buchloh, of the University's English faculty, brought back from a recent visit to the headquarters of Second Allied Tactical Air Force.

Dr Buchloh, himself a war-time pilot, believes that an understanding of the development of language, especially English, during the war.

FIRST STEP

On his visit to 2nd ATAF headquarters, the first step in his research, he collected several hundred words and phrases, with their origins.

A translation of the selected passage is: "Station commanders with gold braid on the peaks of their caps and medal ribbons supervising technicians with medals who can foretell the future and forecast reprisals for pilot officers who crash their aircraft." — China Mail Special.

N. Vietnam Protests Over Arms

London, May 14.
The North Vietnam army high command has protested "energetically" against "the continuous introduction of United States military personnel and war material into South Vietnam," Hanoi radio said today.

The protest was made by the North Vietnam army high command's delegation to the Central Joint Armistice Committee to the French Union forces high command's delegation.

In the letter of protest North Vietnam said between January 30 and March 9, American planes brought in "tens of thousands of American officers and other military personnel and a great quantity of war material."

Recently, the broadcast added, "many United States high-ranking officers have come to Saigon to supervise the carrying out of the United States scheme of increasing the armed forces in South Vietnam." — Reuter.

29 Indian Communists In Gaol

New Delhi, May 14.
India had 29 Communists in prison under preventive detention on December 31 last year, according to figures disclosed in both Houses of Parliament today.

They include members of the Communist Party of India, the Bolshevik Party and the Revolutionary Socialist Party.

A total of 131 people were held in prisons under the Preventive Detention Bill of 1950.

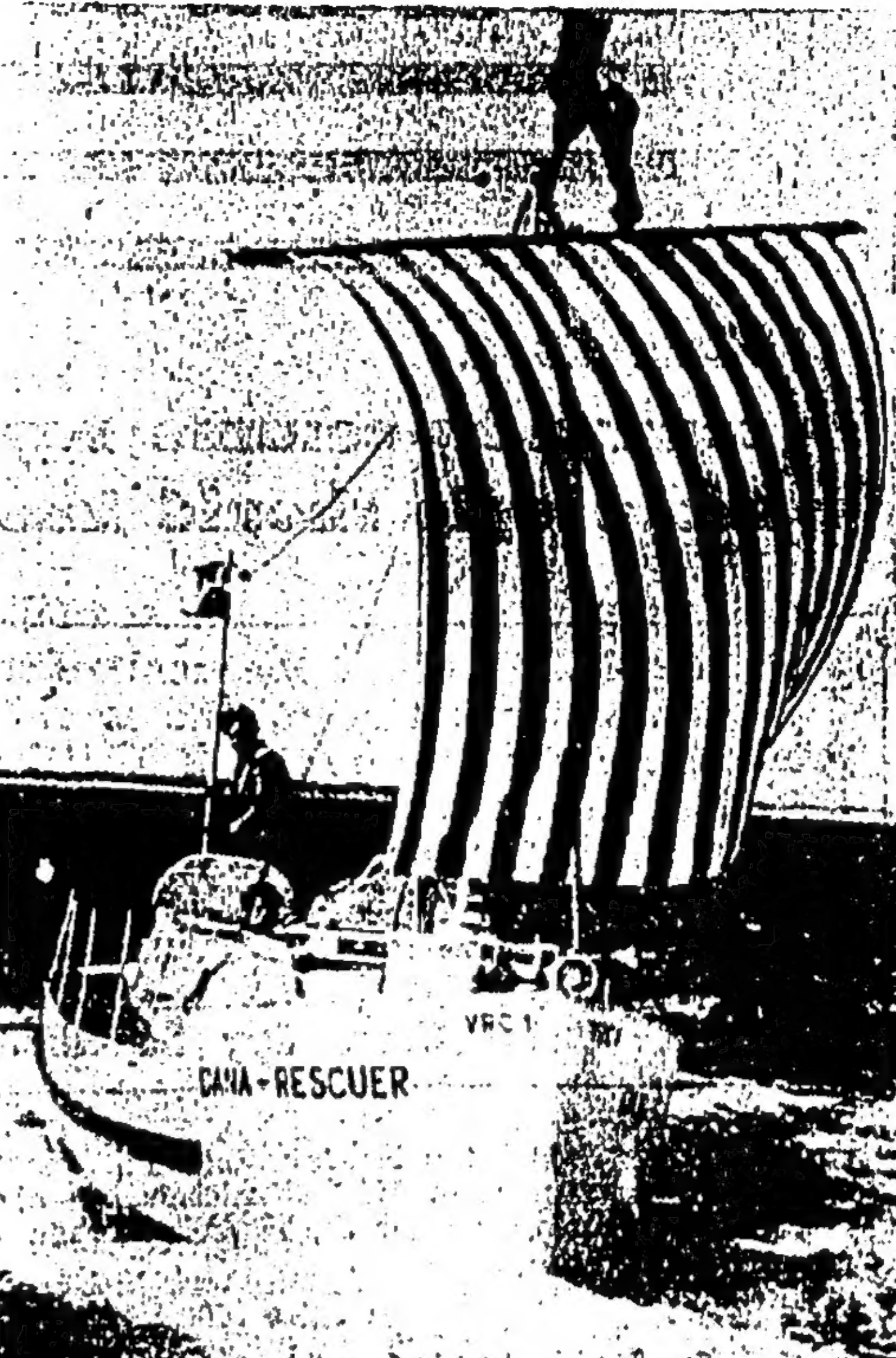
The Bill gives the Government power to detain without trial people suspected of activities prejudicial to the security of the state or the maintenance of public order. — Reuter.

Jordan Condemned

Jerusalem, May 14.
The Israel-Jordan Mixed Armistice Commission today condemned Jordan for the ambush of an Israeli civilian car on May 9.

The Commission called the attack near Kfar Saba, Israel, an "unprovoked aggressive act" and called on Jordan "most urgently to put an immediate end to such and similar acts."

The men who ambushed the civilian car came from Qalqilya village in Jordan, a Commission spokesman said. — United Press.



The world's first unsinkable submarine lifeboat, the Dana Rescuer, is pictured here following its launching last week. A Danish seaman will soon set off on a lone round-the-world voyage to demonstrate the craft. Inventor of the Dana Rescuer is Mr Claus Soerensen, a fishing company director. It is equipped with ventilating apparatus, stabilisers and a man-hole, and is designed so that it is not necessary to launch it from a ship. In case of need, the crew go aboard, close the manhole, and remain there as the ship sinks. When this happens, Mr Soerensen claims, the lifeboat will float off. There is also a hollow mast which can be used partly as a radio aerial and partly as an air inlet to the inside of the boat. A periscope has been replaced by a dome-shaped case so that the steersman can see in all directions. — Express Photo.

RAAB Asked To Form New Government

Vienna, May 14.
President Theodor Koerner of Austria today asked Herr Julius Raab, the Chancellor, to form a new government following yesterday's general election which left the two coalition parties still holding most of the Lower House seats.

Dr Koerner also instructed the present Government—an alliance of right-wing People's Party and Socialists—to stay in office as a caretaker government pending the formation of a new administration.

The People's Party expected to demand stronger representation in the new coalition, have provisionally increased their Lower House numbers from 74 seats to 82. The Socialists increased from 73 to 78.

The election was held a year earlier than it need have been because of differences—mainly in economic affairs—between the People's Party and the Socialists, who wanted to nationalise Austria's oil industry.

The Foreign Minister, Dr Leopold Figl, is not likely to return to the new cabinet, according to People's Party sources.

These sources suggest that Mr Figl, a People's Party man, may retire from active politics. He has been sharply attacked within the party recently by Tyrolean interests.

These critics say he has been "soft" on the issue of the South Tyrol—given to Italy after the first world war and still a cause of strong feeling among Tyroleans.

He may be replaced by Dr Alfred Maletka, a 50-year-old lawyer from Lower Austria who is secretary general of the People's Party but who has not been much in the public eye so far.

Coalition discussions on the "new look" of the cabinet are expected to begin almost at once. In view of the claims that the People's Party is expected to make about stronger representation, the negotiations may be long and difficult.

There is no legal limit to the period in which a caretaker may hold office, though the new parliament must meet by June 12. — Reuter.

Long Time

Berlin, May 14.
Green and black roses are on show this year in the botanical garden at Sangerhausen, East Germany, the official news agency ADN reported. — China Mail Special.

Mr Dermot MacDonnell is to be Britain's new ambassador to Indonesia, the Foreign Office announced today.

Mr MacDonnell, who is now British Minister in Bucharest, will take over in Djakarta from Mr Oscar Johnston. — Reuter.

SINGAPORE NOT DEPRIVING UK OF VITAL LINK

London, May 14.
Mr David Marshall, Chief Minister of Singapore, declared in a television discussion here tonight that Singapore did not wish to deprive Britain of what she considered to be a vital link in her external defence system.

He was taking part with journalist Frank Owen and former Labour member of Parliament, Mr John Lewis, in a commercial television programme called "Seconds Out."

Mr Marshall said: "In our experience of the way Singapore went in 1942, we do not accept the thesis that Singapore is such a vital link in international defence in time of war, but we do recognise that the United Kingdom thinks Singapore is a vital link."

Recognise Fact
"We say we are prepared that you should retain facilities and service within Singapore which you may consider in your discretion as necessary for external defence."

Mr Marshall added that "as reasonable people we recognise the fact that it is impossible to demand of you that which you consider vital to your existence."

He himself, and many other people in Singapore, recognised that it was important that they should assist in the external defence strategy even though "we think sometimes it is wrong."

Death Trap
He thought that under conditions of hydrogen bomb warfare Singapore would be a trap worse than Pearl Harbor. "You could finish the lot in less than a minute," he said.

Later Mr Marshall added: "It is unreasonable to deprive a people of what they consider to be vital to their existence."

"Britain does consider Singapore to be vital. We ourselves doubt it."

Asked about the danger of Communist control in Singapore, Mr Marshall said he recognised the "real threat" that existed there from the "foreign ideology of communism that turns the flesh of human beings into a facade."

Retake It
He declared: "We are prepared in an extreme case, rather than to see Singapore go Communist that Her Majesty's Government should retake control—in her own interests, it is true—but it would have the support of the majority of the people in that country, I believe." — Reuter.

YANGTSE FEAT
Radio Peking tonight claimed tonight that for the first time in China, a tugboat had successfully pushed three loaded boats along the Yangtze River for Hankow.

The radio claimed that for a tugboat to push boats in a row is an advanced navigation method developed in the Soviet Union.

The radio further claimed that it had the advantage of meeting less friction than other methods employed in navigation, thus resulting in greater speed. — France-Press.

Eden Meets Von Brentano

Paris, May 14.
French-West German talks which will resume in Paris tomorrow will cover all outstanding issues between the two countries, besides the Saar question, it was learned here tonight.

Among other questions to be discussed between French Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs Maurice Faure and his German counterpart Walter Hallstein will be the Moselle Canal project.

The talks are to finish either on Wednesday night or Thursday morning. — France-Press.



Dr von Brentano, the West German Foreign Minister (left) shakes hands with the British Prime Minister, Sir Anthony Eden, after launching with him at No. 10 Downing Street in London. — Central Express Photo.

THIS U-THING IS MARVELLOUS!

By NANCY SPAIN

• This U-thing... "This game of deciding whether what people say and do 'gives them away' as U (upper-class) or Non U (lower-class)... is by now the conversational craze of the year. It is rapidly becoming a social necessity to be able to discuss it in the correctly urban manner. (Whether you look upon yourself as U or Non U does not matter.) • Nancy Spain was invited to Cambridge to debate the whole thing.

THIS U-thing is marvelous. On all sides people accord me, asking things like: "If the word 'Handbag' is Non U (which it is) are women who use them Non U too?" Now, I am hardly in a position to arbitrate, having declared myself as Communist. (Clapham, St. Ives, and Nancy Milford to a better opinion.) She was working hard on a revision of a new play, *The Ditching Hand*, I should be called *Robbie*, of course, before she got to Venice on May 24. To continue work on her new life of Voltaire. But she gladly took time off to chat. Very U of her.

About handbags she was firm. "You must carry one in the street if you like," she said. "But you must never, never let it be seen in the drawing-room. You must keep it in the bedroom."

POOR NERVES—U

THEN she said: "Now here is a simple rule. All words from the French like *serviette* and *murder* are U. But anything Anglo-Saxon is all right. And four-letter words are splendid."

But then she went on briskly. "I'm dying to hear about Cambridge. I longed to come and speak against you. Indeed, they were very sweet and asked me, but I couldn't you know, because of my poor old nerves." (Apparently poor nerves are U, I thought, while poor feet are Non U.)

So here follows a full account of the U-ness and Non-U-ness of Cambridge, with comments from the High Priests of U herself.

We sat down seven to dinner inside the Union, a strange pale green place very like school. "I know," said Nancy. "I got when I saw it." "But then I'm used to that sort of thing, from living in Oxford, you know." It was easy to tell the seven young men apart, for they had

WOMEN—Non U

Back to the debating chamber, a replica of the House of Commons, filthy-fretful, St. Ives, and all on the benches, the young men were all

Two were just asleep, nine were in a state of confusion, and consulted various volumes of *Who's U*.

If a woman is strictly Non U, they are not allowed on the floor, except as principal speakers. Lady Violet Bonham Carter and I were the first pair invited, and we otherwise looked in the gallery. "I see," said Nancy. "Herein lies the

Of course, gentlemen are terribly U. So are maharajahs. Then I spoke I bowed to the president, and said, "Sir, I bowed to the House and said, 'Gentlemen' and they bowed back. And then I asked, 'Do ladies'?" And there was a roar from the House. "No," they shouted in Union. "You say women," said Nancy. "Quite right too," said Nancy. "Ladies is a terribly Non U word."

THAT DINNER

Where Bulganin and Krushchev were the guests of the Socialists... and ever since the explosions have been heard around the world

This is a comma-by-comma report of an event the people should know more about

THE REPORT BELOW is the result of co-operation between three of the world's greatest newspapermen: **TREVOR EVANS**, Industrial Correspondent; **DEREK MARKS**, Political and Diplomatic Correspondent; **WILLIAM BARKLEY**, Parliamentary Reporter for 30 years. The report is edited by **JOHN MATHER**, author of "The Great Spy Scandal."

QUIET flowed the Thames. The river was reflecting the lights of the Harcourt Room of the House of Commons. Inside the room the staff, under catering manager Christopher MacIver, was arranging dinner tables, reacting briskly in an expectant atmosphere.

High above, Big Ben chimed, and higher still a light showed that the House was in session. M.P.s were debating the Budget.

But the interest of the House was not focussed on the debating chamber. Its mind was elsewhere—on the Harcourt Room.

The Shadow Cabinet of the Socialist Party, that is to say its Parliamentary Committee, was joining the National Executive of the party to entertain Marshal

Nikolai Bulganin and Mr. Nikita Krushchev to dinner in the Harcourt Room.

A telephone bell rang in an office 400 yards away. The call was for Mr. Morgan Phillips, General Secretary of the Socialist Party. The Foreign Office was on the line.

The voice said that Marshal Bulganin and Mr. Krushchev were very tired.

Was the dinner then to be cancelled, Mr. Morgan Phillips wondered. It is intriguing to pause now and wonder how much history might have been changed if that had been the case. But no, the voice went on to say that they could not arrive until 8.40 p.m. and they would just have to leave by 10.30 p.m.

THIRTEEN ARRIVE

ONCE again one may pause and speculate about the historical significance of a social arrangement that was disregarded by both parties to the dinner as the clock moved on.

Sixteen Russians had been invited. On the dot of 8.40 p.m. 13 turned up at the House and were led along the Lower Corridor to the Harcourt Room. Mr. Gromyko, the Deputy Foreign Minister, busy elsewhere in discussions on defence expenditure, was the most prominent absentee.

Mr. Phillips, with the Foreign Office message much in his mind, looked hard at Mr. Krushchev, whose "I am a strong man" act had impressed the world's journalists. Now he looked truly tired. He suggested, plainly, the on-the-go programme arranged for the Russian leaders had exhausted even his massive strength.

Indeed, to those around him Krushchev harped on this theme throughout the early part of the meal; he was willing under the programme, although he was



enjoying the visit. Yet again one may pause to reflect on how much that followed was due to the fact that Krushchev was out of condition.

All were now assembled in the Harcourt Room, which is used normally by M.P.s to entertain visitors to tea or drinks.

Mr. Phillips introduced all the Socialists to Bulganin and Krushchev. There were 41 from the National Executive and the Parliamentary Committee. There were two "courtesy guests," Earl Attlee and Mr. Herbert Morrison the former leaders. There were two women from Mr. Phillips's secretarial staff.

SPEECHES TO BE CUT

SO, in all 56 people sat down at tables ranged conventionally. There was a top table with three "sprigs," the company thus forming a flat-topped letter M. Bulganin and Krushchev had taken no cocktails. They seemed ready for the dinner.

Into the chairman's seat went Mr. Edwin Gooch, the burly, heavy-jowled M.P. for North Norfolk, president of the National Union of Agricultural Workers, and this

year's chairman of the party executive. He sat in the middle of the top table, facing the centre sprig.

On Mr. Gooch's right sat Marshal Bulganin, his interpreter, then Mr. Hugh Gaiskell, leader of the party, Mr. Jacob Malik, the Soviet Ambassador, and Mr. Jim Griffiths, deputy leader of the Socialist Party. Around the corner of the top table, on the chairman's right, sat Mr. Ascurin Bevan.

To the left of Mr. Gooch sat Mr. Krushchev, his interpreter, Mr. Morgan Phillips, and then Miss Peggy Herblison, M.P., who took the place of the absent Mr. Gromyko.

It had been agreed between Mr. Phillips and Mr. Malik that there were to be only two speeches after Mr. Gooch's formal welcome. And it had been approved by the top leadership that Mr. Gaiskell was to be the spokesman for the Socialist Party.

It was clear in all the conversations that followed that the arrangement of one speaker each side was not understood by all the Socialists present.

According to the Observer correspondent of the Observer, Mr. Phillips forgot to tell them about the arrangements for the evening.

'YOU DO IT' SAID MR. K

WHO was to speak for the Russians? It was generally thought that both would speak. Mr. Phillips, knowing better, asked Mr. Malik which one was

to speak as they walked together to their seats. Mr. Malik shrugged and said it would be settled during the dinner.

It was settled in this way. Mr. Gooch was more than halfway through his seven-minute address of welcome when Bulganin leaned over backwards behind the speaker to consult Krushchev about the response. There was some badinage between them and Krushchev ended by murmuring: "You do it."

Bulganin heaved his shoulders in a resigned sort of way and rolled his eyes in a mock protest as if to say, "You lead it all on me!"

Those nearest the Soviet leaders grinned sympathetically towards Bulganin, and said later that the incident revealed again to them that Krushchev was boss.

'TELL ME SECRET'

ALL around the tables, as the meal proceeded—turtle soup and sherry, fillet of sole Westminster, roast Aylesbury duck, with wines or vodka—there was a friendly hum between British hosts and the Russian guests who were seated in ones and twos along the sprig.

Above the general murmuring could be heard the odd laugh and the occasional complete exchange. And one of these exchanges was initiated by Mr. George Brown.

He was sitting at the centre sprig—close enough to Bulganin and Krushchev. He is a brusque man who is the member for Belper in Derbyshire, and who is being trained in the Shadow Cabinet for the office of Minister of Supply.

He is also a candidate against Mr. Bovan for the Treasury of the party. At 41, an up-and-coming leader of the British Left.

UNCERTAIN LAUGHTER...

MR Brown was sitting near Krushchev's 22-year-old son Sergei, a university student. Many who were near by tried to recall precisely what passed between them. There are half a dozen versions. The implication by the political correspondent of the Observer is that Mr. Brown committed a major gaffe which angered the boy's father.

Mr. Brown himself has told the Daily Express: "It was light-hearted. I asked him: 'In politics do you disagree with your father?' Young Krushchev

replied: 'I never disagree with my father.' So I leaned across to Krushchev, the father, and said: 'You must tell me the secret of this, for my daughter never agrees with me.'"

"It was a natural sort of remark and nobody was offended."

A near neighbour says that the phrase "old man" when referring to Krushchev's son. The hearer recalls that he hoped there was a Russian phrase which reflected the exact shade of harmless disrespect.

Yet another witness says that Krushchev was grinning throughout. Yet another that he leaned forward angrily and demanded to know what was going on.

Certain it is that Dr. Edith Summerskill blushed; Mr. Jack Cooper, union leader, hissed a warning, "Behave yourself"; and others laughed uncertainly.

But at that point the general atmosphere was one of harmony. Mr. Gooch was ending politely in his sonorous, if narrow-ranged, East Anglian style.

'VICTIM OF PROTOCOL'

THE flow of good spirit increased during Bulganin's speech. He spoke for 11 minutes with an easy charm. His effort was plainly spontaneous. He had a dry wit.

Bulganin said how much he had hoped that he could have seen more people in this country at work and at play and in their homes. But he explained that he was "the victim of protocol," that he had to do what the Foreign Office had arranged for him; that he was forced to the conclusion that Mr. Selwyn Lloyd, the Foreign Secretary, was even more important than the British trades unions; and that he, Bulganin, would welcome a treaty of union for the protection of visiting Heads of State.

All this he said with a refined whimsicality which delighted his hearers. One said later: "We could have hugged him."

When Bulganin pretended to be overwhelmed by the exhausting schedule of his visit there was even geniality in the growl of confirmation which came from Krushchev.

AFTER THE TOAST

BULGANIN had an immense social success. There was no doubting the sincerity with which the company received his courteous toast: "The Queen, the President of the U.S.S.R. (Khrushchev), and the peoples of the United Kingdom and Soviet Russia."

As the applause was dying away the unexpected happened; the unexpected, which was to change the tone of the dinner and perhaps the course of East-West relations.

Mr. James Callaghan, M.P., clearly not understanding that Mr. Gaiskell was to speak next, then, were to be a few questions, and that the guests wished to leave by 10.30, showed his surprise that Krushchev was not being called upon to speak.

'WE WANT KRUSHCHEV'

MR CALLAGHAN started to the speaker's stand, Krushchev. "Before he had repeated this phrase three times, half a dozen of his neighbours decided that they wanted Krushchev too. Soon there was a roar of demand for Krushchev. It was intended to be a flattering request."

Krushchev sensed its warmth, yet he sat still for some seconds, looking down at the menu before him. Mr. Gooch, trying to please at parties, whispered to him that a few words would be appreciated. Mr. Gooch meant a few words. Mr. Gooch had his eye on his wrist watch. It was now 10.14 p.m.

No one was prepared for what followed.

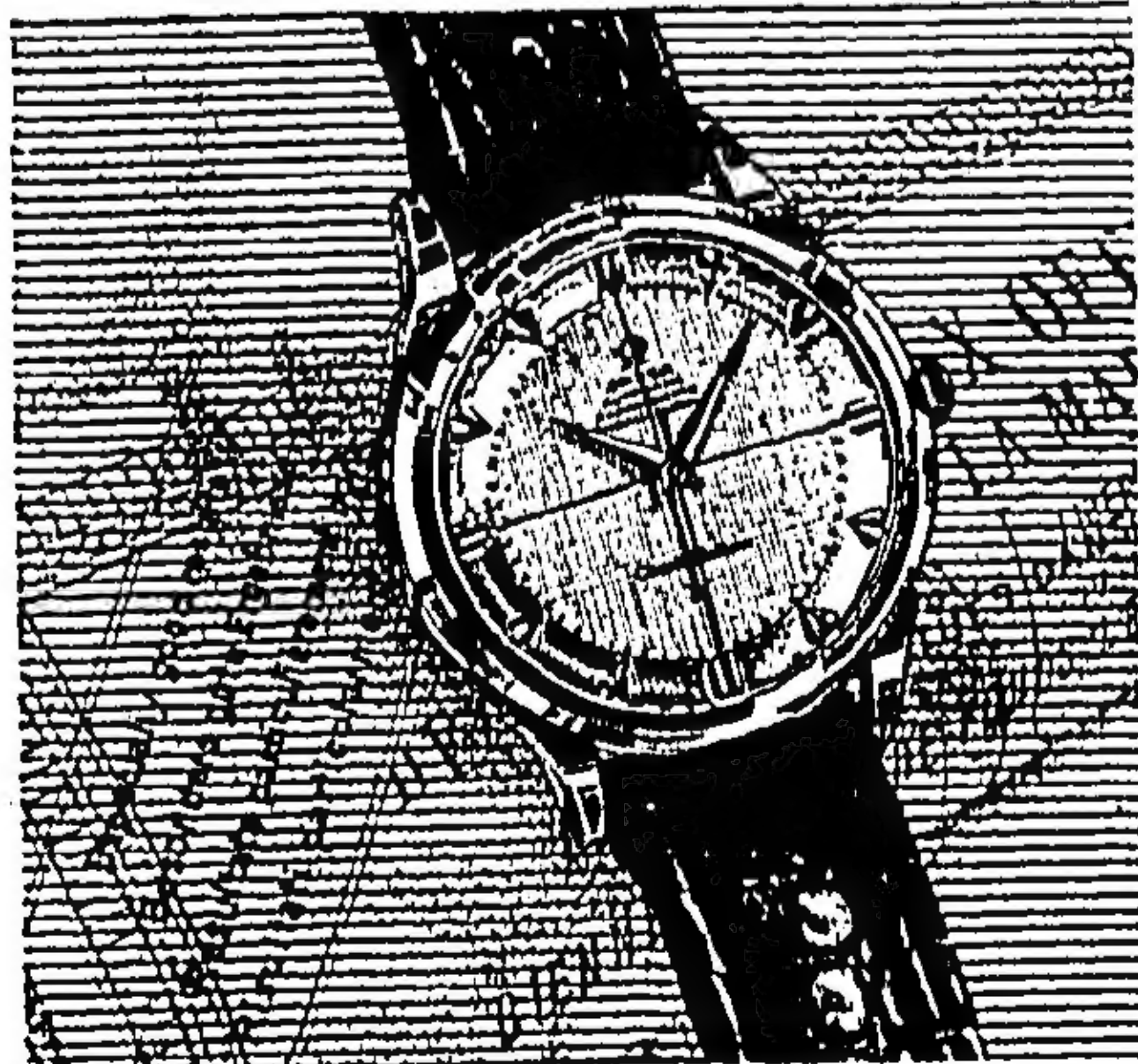
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TAR BRUSH IS 'WAR' WEAPON

By ANDREW MANNING

MOTORISED "commandos" who strike by night, are waging a stubborn campaign which threatens to restart a dormant "war" dividing the Belgian people.

It is the bitter war of the languages between Belgians of northern provinces, whose mother tongue is Flemish, and Belgians of the south, who speak French.

Scenes of the nightly "commando" attacks covers the northern regions, including most of Belgium's seaside resorts.

Administratively, the official language throughout the area is Flemish. But to help tourists the authorities decided that all road signs should be written in Flemish and French.

The Flemish name of Bergen, for example, would mean nothing to the traveller on his way to Mons. And Lufik could mislead the traveller looking for Liege.

Main weapon of the fanatical "commandos" whose battle cry is "Flanders for the Flemings," is a thick black tar. They use it to black out the French names on the bilingual road signs.

Local authorities are fighting back hard. As fast as a road sign becomes a target they send out workmen to remove the tar and repaint the name in French.

But the campaign of the tar brush warriors is being held up. One road sign near Knocke, fashionable resort on the Belgian coast, has been tarred and repainted seven times in seven days.

Said an official: "To catch the culprits we would have to put an armed policeman on every road sign throughout the region. We have not got the men."

This Funny World



"... Grammy's inside... but she didn't ride in on a broom like you said she would..."

• BY THE WAY •

by Beachcomber

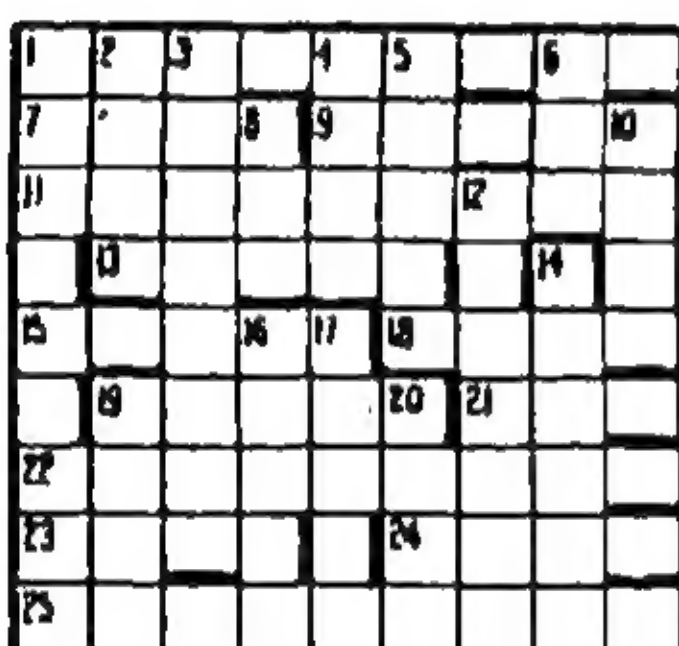
At a conference summoned by Ted Hoggwash yesterday, it was suggested that the new musical film "Homer's Odyssey" should be called "Homer's Head" in order to avoid the public to pronounce.

Hoggwash said the use of the name "Homer" stamped the film as American, but that was "remembrance of something by Dostoyevsky" and that was probably Miss Monroe's copyright. As to the music, Lobo Mograth suggested that Beachcomber would be suitable as his music was serious. But was rejected, because according to Hoggwash, "He don't sing so easy, and we gotta use his stuff to the Coles film 'Mexican Nights'."

Foulough's dream of home

In spite of those "purely temporary financial embarrasments" which so often beset the phase of permanence,

CROSSWORD



Across

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• JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Dangerous Foe Kept From Lead

By OSWALD JACOBY

TODAY'S hand is an exercise in keeping the dangerous opponent out of the lead. You must develop three diamond tricks without allowing West to gain the lead, since West would easily defeat you with the long spades.

How do you go about it with only two entries to the dummy? Try to work it out for yourself, and then compare notes with the solution of Commander Ernest Fowler, who constructed the hand.

East discards a heart on the first trick, and you win with the ace of spades. Your next step is to lead the ace of diamonds. East cleverly throws away the king of diamonds, waiting for a chance to get rid of the jack of diamonds also. Then West would be able to win in the third round of diamonds with the ten.

You must foil this little plot by entering dummy with the

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 ♣ A53

WEST 10 ♠ None
 10 ♥ ♠ 8832
 1092 ♣ KJ
 ♠ 102 ♠ J976

SOUTH (D)
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Opening lead—♠ K

queen of hearts and leading a diamond from the dummy. East plays the jack of diamonds, but you refuse to win the trick. East returns a club, and you win with the king. Now you cash the queen of diamonds to get it out of the way, and you can get to dummy with the ace of clubs to cash the last diamond. Thus you make sure of nine tricks.

The important, but strange play, is the leading out of the ace of diamonds at the second trick. You can't make the hand by leading the first diamond from the dummy. East would play the jack, and you'd have to finesse the queen. Then you'd still need two entries to dummy—one to make sure of letting East win a trick with the king of diamonds, and the other to cash the last diamond.

• CARD SENSE •

Q—With both sides vulnerable, the bidding has been:

North East South West

1 Heart 2 Clubs ?

You, South, hold:

♠ Q73 ♥ A K Q J 7 3 2 ♣ A 2

What do you do?

A—Bid three no-trump. You can run seven tricks as soon as you get in, and game at no-trump should be easier than at diamonds.

TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold:

♠ K73 ♥ Q2 ♣ A K Q J 7 3 2 ♣ A 2

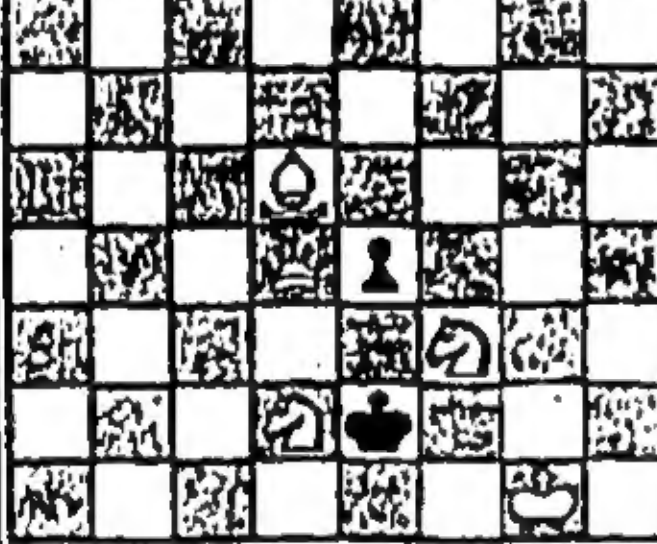
What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

CHESS PROBLEM

By S. ZLATIK

Black, 2 pieces



White, 5 pieces.

White to play; mate in two.

Solution to yesterday's problem:

1. K-R2, threat 2. R-Q1 (ch).

1. R-Q3; 2. R-Q1 (ch);

1. Q-Q3; 2. B-X; 1

P-B6; 2. R-K3.

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THE CONTINENTAL TOUCH



Scooped neckline and full, two-tiered skirt give this sleeveless cotton frock a Continental look. Patterned with a tiny ship design, it is worn under a waistlength bolero with cap sleeves.

FOR THE HOLIDAY GIRL

Consider the income of your escort when suggesting entertainment. Do not overdo just because it is a holiday. Prepare for weather, cold or showers and do not grumble if the weather lets you down. Do not nag—even if the old man feels like napping or the children are shouting.

... AND HER ESCORT

Tell her she looks wonderful and start the holiday right. Just for once come out from behind that newspaper and try a little conversation.

Even if the total cost of the holiday appeals you, do not tell her this the following week.

London Express Service.

Imagination Adds Glamour To Food

By IDA BAILEY ALLEN

OUR singing chef stood by the test-kitchen table looking down at some link sausages, a tin of sweet potatoes, a few mushrooms and 4 slices of bacon.

"Not very glamorous-looking," he remarked. "But adding two apples will help. Just because you're working with everyday foods is no reason why you can't use inventiveness and turn out a fine-looking meal."

He went to work. Here is the result.

High Style Sausage-Vegetable Grill: Cut apart 1½ lbs. link sausages.

Scald with boiling water to remove excess fat; drain.

Place on an oiled broiler together with 1 (No. 2) tin sliced

drained sweet potatoes and 2 cored apples sliced ¼" thick.

Brush both apples and sweet potatoes with melted margarine or oil. Dust the apples with sugar, the sweet potatoes with salt.

Slow-broil 4" from the heat until all foods are brown on one side; turn to brown the other.

Brush the turned apples and sweet potatoes with melted margarine or oil; dust respectively with sugar and salt.

Brush a few fresh or tinned mushroom caps with melted margarine or oil; dust with salt and pepper.

Place on the broiler.

Scald 4 halved slices bacon with boiling water and drain.

Place on the sweet potatoes. Continue to slow-grill until all foods are browned and the bacon crisp.

Alternate sweet potato and apple slices on a platter.

Garnish with the sausages, mushrooms and parsley.

DINNER

Tomato Soup Crackers

High Style Sausage-Vegetable Grill

Tossed Green Salad

Blueberry Upside-Down Pudding

Coffee Tea Milk

All Measurements Are Level

Recipes Proportioned to Serve 4 to 6

Blueberry Upside-Down Pudding: Rub an 8" square pan with butter or margarine. In it put the contents 1 (No. 2) tin blueberries-in-syrup mixed with

THE FASHION WORLD NEEDS A REALIST

By JILL CAREY

EVER notice the sort of backgrounds fashion photographers pick for their models? Graceful old gardens, stately mansions, exclusive—and apparently unpeopled—backwaters of big cities.

Ever see a picture of a model hurrying along a busy street during rush hour, strap-hanging aboard a crowded bus or honestly getting into a motor car which cost less than a couple of thousand pounds?

Nor have I.

The kind explanation is, of course, that it would be difficult if not impossible to take a truly striking fashion shot under such conditions.

Possibly due to a surfeit of "high-fashion" shows of late, I'm driven to the conclusion that the true explanation is probably that such shots just couldn't be taken because in everyday conditions too many of the models would look absolutely absurd.

OUT OF PLACE

My suspicion was in a measure confirmed during a recent stroll through London's plushy Mayfair. That day was the first of exclusive Bond Street's Fashion Week, and to mark the occasion models had swarmed out of their nearby rented salons to parade in procession through the streets.

Tricked up in the latest sheath—slim dresses and costumes and flouncy ballet-length creations, they looked—against an everyday background—as out of place as a meringue on a breakfast table...and about as appetizing.

We poor sidewalk gawkers got a real eyeful of the up-ended fruit-dishes we're being adjured to wear also on the front of our sleek and shiny clothes these days. And for the first time we had a chance to size them up against the sort of

vehicle, public or private, we're likely to climb aboard while wearing them.

Conclusion: You can wear 'em and walk. Or hope that Dior's next "look" will be the "If" for Headless.

May I be permitted just one heart-cry to the fashion world in general? It's this: Please, please try to be a bit more realistic.

Footnote: My plea for less exotic backgrounds for fashion models is likely to rouse the Royal Navy. As setting for a recent show of dresses, underwear and swimwear, a hangar of the aircraft carrier Ark Royal was used. Who ever called it the silent service?

OFF THE STRAIGHT

Having trouble with that elusive hemline, you home dress-makers? Well, don't worry. You're in the vanguard of fashion. From Rome come the first hints that hemlines are to be uneven.

On evening dresses hemlines lift in front to reveal elegant ankles in elegant shoes. But, remember, the word is elegant.

The new line is an added blessing to those who just can't avoid puckering of hem stitches. The more the pucker now, the better. If this deliberate mistake is handled correctly you can achieve the new, slightly ballooned effect.

Shortly to be seen are the dresses which the London Model House Group will send to Moscow next month.

And here's an interesting point. Up-to-the minute styles are taking second place to everyday wearability. Waistlines have been shifted back to where nature meant them to be, bodies are molded and the skirts are the sort which can be worn by two-legged women who like to walk.

Now, what's so special about our Soviet sisters? By all accounts, they're realists about clothes and will want to see and buy only those they can wear without being the year's big joke with the local collective.

Somewhere in there is a moral...

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BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Mrs. Bee's Always Busy

—She Convinces Willy It's Better To Work Than Be Stung—

By MAX TRELL

HANID, the shadow-girl with the turned-about name, was walking down the garden path when she heard someone whistling. The whistle sounded familiar. She had heard it somewhere before.

At that moment, she spied her friend, Willy Tond. He was lying under a daisy with his legs stretched out before him, looking very lazy and comfortable.

HORSE RACING PUNTERS CAN LOOK FORWARD TO ANOTHER OUTSIDER TURNING UP IN EPSOM DERBY

Says CLAUDE RICHARDSON

The first two classic races of the English season were triumphs for England in the duel against France — and for the bookmakers. In this season of tippy-turvey form, perhaps England can look forward, like the layers, to another outsider turning up in the premier race of them all, the Epsom Derby on June 6.

French colts Lavandin and Philus are at the head of current betting on the "Blue Riband", and seem likely to stay there or thereabouts. But after Gilles de Retz's staggering 50-1 victory in the 2,000 Guineas, and the eclipse of the American-owned "certainty", Victoria Cross, in the 1,000 Guineas fillies' mile race, he would be a brave man who would say with any confidence that there is no English colt likely to beat the invaders at Epsom.

Lavandin's failure in the Prix Hocquart, run over the Derby distance of a mile and a half at Longchamp on May 6, has not dented him as a Derby favourite.

M. Pierre Wertheimer's colt, left with too much ground to make up in the short straight, ran on very well to get into third place behind Florides and Yellowstone.

Engaged for Lavandin in the Derby is chessier maestro Australian line Johnstone who has already won the French Derby (1948) and the Epsom Derby (1949).

Philus is another to make great odds on in the going at Newmarket on Guineas.

CAN KEITH MILLER CONTINUE HIS RUN-GETTING FORM?

London, May 15.

Mighty Keith Miller, Australia's vice-captain, has made another glorious start to a tour of England but his undefeated 281 at Leicester has prompted cricket fans here to wonder whether this time Miller will prove history misleading and continue in his run-getting form.

Those with accurate cricket memories, or ready access to Wisden, have noted that mercurial Miller makes a habit of beginning his tours of England in a blaze of beautiful strokes and colossal scores.

Then, his appetite apparently sated, Miller descends from Olympus and goes through the rest of the tour like any other mortal.

In 1948, under Don Bradman, Miller batted too late at Worcester to do more than hit a brisk 50 not out, but in the following match at Leicester, he revealed his true power with a score of 292 not out.

Two games later he hit 163 against a strong MCC attack at Lords but that was the end of his big scoring. In the Tests, his top score was only 74 and his average no more than 20.22.

Five years later he returned with Lindsay Hassett's team and the pattern was repeated. After smiting the Worcestershire bowlers for 220 not out in the opening match, he seemed well on his way again at Leicester when he was unluckily run out for 42.

A couple of days later he took 150 not out off Yorkshire at Bradford, scene of the devastation of Australia's batting this week.

Miller saved his next century for the second innings of the Second Test at Lords where he made 109, but he did not really get going until the third day. Then he made 232 not out against the Combined Services in September. Miller's average in the Tests this time sank to 24.77.

A SHOCK BOWLER

In each of these two tours, however, Miller had an equally important role to play in Australia's test plans as a shock bowler. Ian Johnson has stated that on this trip, Miller, the world's greatest all-rounder, will be asked to concentrate on his batting.

No doubt the reasons for this are the possibility of a recurrence of his back trouble and the need for a top-form Miller to bolster Australia's middle-usually helped to bring out the batting.

The responsibility of captaincy best in Miller and it will especially be interesting to see what he does in the current match at Nottingham, where Johnson is standing down for the first time. Judging by his last two tours, Miller is due for another big innings.

But what then?—China Mail Special.

SECOND DIVISION
KCC LAWN BOWLS
TEAM AGAINST
POLICE RC

Kowloon Cricket Club will play the Police Recreation Club in Second Division lawn bowls match at the KCC tomorrow (Wednesday) starting at 8.30 p.m., sharp.

The KCC rink will be:—W. Baker, A. M. Allen, L. Gibson, T. Lock (skip), J. Donohy, L. Bous, R. Ransford, E. Thorneley (skip), and C. W. Allen, G. Lee, R. S. Campbell (skip).

London, May 15.

Tenacore, also regarded as a certain runner at Epsom, plans for other French entries are in the melting pot at present.

It is a case of "after you", "no, after you", among the owners, who are undecided about whether to run their colts in the Epsom event or the French Derby on June 10. The value of the French Derby has been greatly increased this year and this could be the reason why many Guille horses may be staying at home.

The nigger in the woodpile is M. Francois Dupre's Tanerko, winner of his only two races, whom many believe might start favourably if sent to Epsom instead of having the French classic made his target.

But M. Dupre, a Paris hotel manager, cannot make up his mind on the matter—and in the meantime no official odds are being laid about Tanerko, Florides, Vincennes and Azteque.

The owners of the other three are waiting to see whether Tanerko's destination before they decide their own plans. M. Dupre's good colt, a son of the dual Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe winner Tantisme, looks the only one of the quartet who would be likely to make a prominent show at Epsom.

Other liver French lancers are Prince Aly Khan's Buisson Ardent and King David II, third and fourth in the 2,000 Guineas. Among the English contenders, most confidence is placed in Gilles de Retz, Full Measure (by French sire Paradol) and Pirate King, son of French Derby winner Prince Chevalier out of a Newcas mare.

After his Guineas triumph the odds offered against Gilles de Retz were astonishingly high for a winner of the first classic. But he was soon cut down to something more commensurate (third favourite at 100 to 6) with his new-found standing.

FIRST IDEAS

The first ideas about his Derby chances were evidently founded on his breeding, or, in narrow terms, on the attributes of his sire, Royal Charger, who does not hold a reputation for getting stayers.

But Gilles de Retz won at Newmarket in the manner of a colt who might find little trouble in keeping going for half as far again, and there is some stout distance blood on the mare's side of his pedigree.

Last week's meeting at the historic Roodey, course at Chester, which sometimes gives a pointer to the classics, did not do directly this year, but indirectly it boosted Full Measure's Derby aspirations considerably.

A filly, Fairy Grove, from Captains Boyd-Rochford's Newmarket stable, won the Chester Oaks "by a street", and the colt Stephanolis captured the Ormonde stakes. In winning the Wood Ditto stakes over one mile at Newmarket last month, Full Measure beat Fairy Grove by a length, with Stephanolis three lengths further behind (third).

Furthermore, the Chester Vase, a race which is regarded as a fairly good test for a classic candidate, was won by Articulate, who earlier had beaten two lengths by Stephanolis.

The general impression was that the class at Chester this year was not very high, but the collateral form does say something for Full Measure, who is owned by Mr. H. J. Joel.

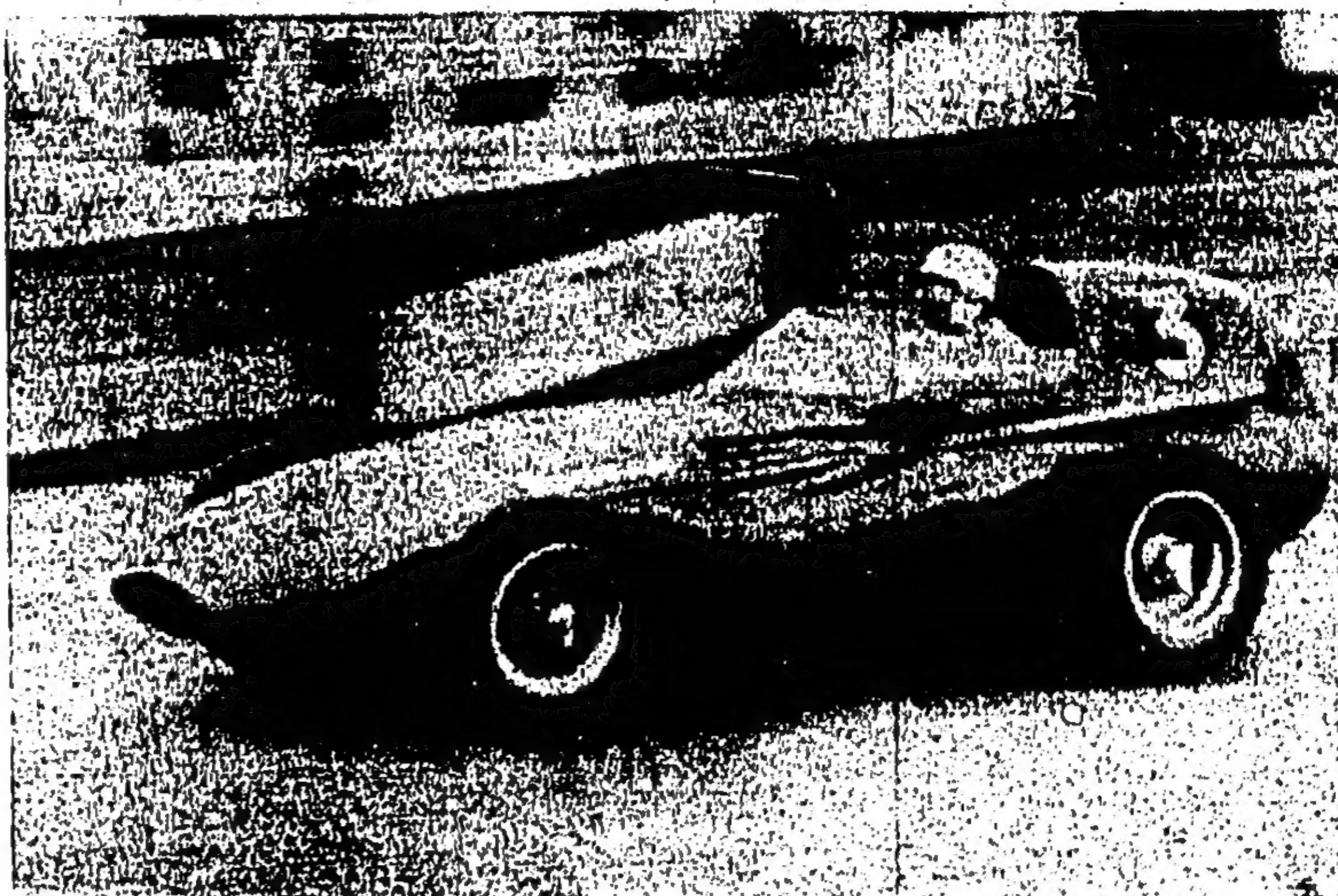
A GOOD WINNER

Major Lionel Holliday's Pirate King was a good winner of the one mile Craven stakes in April, his only race this season, and had behind him Lucero, subsequent winner of the Irish 2,000 Guineas at the Curragh. Full Measure looks the best of this trio. He is tried to stay being out of a Mieux mare, any may turn out to be a very good colt by Derby Day.

Some questions on the English side of the Derby problem may be settled by two races to be held later this month, the Newmarket stakes over ten furlongs on Wednesday, May 16, and the Derby trial stakes over a mile and half at Lingfield Park, a course similar in conformation to Epsom, on May 26.

In recent years horses who have run prominently in these events have continued the train at Epsom—China Mail Special.

MOSS TAKES SILVERSTONE TROPHY



Britain's 27-year-old Stirling Moss flashes past in his Vanwall on May 5 during the 150-mile International Trophy Race, which Moss won at an average speed of 100.17 m.p.h. British cars and drivers took the first four places in the race; unsuccessful competitors included Argentine's Juan Fangio, who was dogged by engine trouble.—Express Photo.

COUNTY CRICKET

Surrey Register Their First Victory Of Season By Beating Glamorgan

London, May 14.

Northamptonshire, who beat Surrey, the Champions, last week, caused another upset today when they snatched first innings points against Yorkshire, who many people think are chief dangers to Surrey keeping the Championship pennant.

But Yorkshire tasted the fire of Frank Tyson whose five wickets for 60 performance was chiefly responsible for Yorkshire's nine runs deficit. Then pace told again for Fred Trueman put Yorkshire back with a chance when he claimed three of four wickets which Northants lost in their second innings before they could reach a half century.

Surrey, meanwhile, struck the winning blow at last—and in their old time mood of "win in two days" claiming the extra half-four tonight they beat Glamorgan to register their first win of the season and it was Alex Bedser who was the executioner-in-chief.

Saturday he had taken the first seven wickets in Glamorgan's first innings. Today he took the first five and had seven in all for only 28 runs to give him the grand match figures of 14 for 69.

BRIGHT BATTING

Bright batting by former West Indies—Roy Marshall (84) and Henry Horion (65 not out) did not save Hampshire who finished 84 behind Sussex on the first innings but grand bowling by the trio of fast medium men Derek Shackleton (three for 16), Vic Canadine (three for 15) and Malcolm Heath (four for 21) got rid of Sussex for 55, lowest total of the season to date, and put Hampshire right back in the game.

In contrast to such a collapse Tom Gravely and Alan Wharton were among the runs for Gloucestershire and Lancashire respectively. Gravely reached three figures at Lords for the second time this season. He took three and a quarter hours for the hundred and reached 152 after another 75 minutes with one six and 10 fours as his best strokes.

Wharton's hundred occupied 145 minutes and included two sixes and a dozen fours. Both Gloucestershire and Lancashire have firm grips of their games, particularly Lancashire.

Britain's Statham, their pace star, took three of four Somerset wickets which fell in the second innings for 17 runs, the first two of them without conceding a run.

CLOSE OF PLAY SCORES

At Lords: Middlesex 170 and 92 for three, Gloucestershire 304 for nine declared (T. Gravely 152, Milton 87, Moss rightarm fast medium five for 73).

At Cambridge: Cambridge University 302 for nine declared, Kent 124, Gloucestershire rightarm legbreak four for 34, and 130 for 2, Cowdrey not out 54, Wilson not out 52.

At Manchester: Somerset 293 and 17 for four, Lancashire 397 for eight declared (Wharton 100, Greaves 86).

At Portsmouth: Sussex 315 and 55 (Heath rightarm fast medium four for 21), Hampshire 231 (Marshall 84, Horton not out 65, Marlar rightarm offbreak six for 50), Sussex all out at close.

At Northampton: Northamptonshire 251 and 49 for four, Yorkshire 252 (Tyson rightarm, fast five for 60).

At Hereford: Essex 300 for eight declared and 147 for six, Leicestershire 257 (Hallam 72, Lester 63).

At Worcester: Worcestershire 177 and 228 for five (Dews 53).

UNBROKEN 4TH WICKET STAND...

Poole And Stocks Save Nottinghamshire From Heavy Defeat

Nottingham, May 14.

A fighting unbroken fourth wicket stand of 122 between Ken Poole and Fred Stocks saved Nottinghamshire from the prospect of a heavy defeat by the Australian tourists on the second day of the three-day cricket match here today.

The Australians declared at the mammoth total of 547 for eight at lunch and seemed to be heading for their first victory of the tour when they claimed three Nottinghamshire wickets for 55. But Poole and Stocks, both left-handers, retrieved the County position with the first century stand against the tourists.

At the close, Nottinghamshire were 177 for three and needed 221 to avoid the follow on.

The Australians had their attack reduced to three recognised bowlers—Crawford, Archer and Benaud—when Alan Davidson pulled a thigh muscle while batting earlier in the day, and though he fielded later he was unable to bowl.

Following Colin McDonald's 105 on Saturday, the Australian batting honours today went to the sixth wicket pair of Burge and Benaud. In an hour they raised their stand from 43 to 124 and altogether the Australians put on 151 in the two hours before lunch.

HIS FIRST CENTURY

Burge, who is fighting for a Test place, hit his first century of the tour, batting three hours 10 minutes for 131, which included a six and 22 fours.

Benaud hit three mighty sixes and four fours in his 62, made in 105 minutes.

England Test prospect, Reg Simpson disappointed his home crowd at Trent Bridge, where the First Test takes place, with a laboured 36 runs in a stay of two hours.

He was always in trouble against Benaud, who finally got him lbw.

Archer had Ron Giles and John Clay both caught by wicketkeepers Langley after each had contributed nine.

SCOREBOARD

Australians—1st Innings (over-night 396 for five)

C. McDonald, c Rowe b Stocks 195
J. Rutherford, c Dooland, b Jenson 35
K. McKay, lbw b Dooland 7
I. Craig c Rowe b Walker 58
K. R. Miller run out 10
P. Burge, c Martin, b Dooland 131
R. Benaud, b Jenson 62
R. Archer not out 20
A. Davidson, c Dooland, b Smiles 2
G. Langley not out 16
Extras 11

Total (for 8 wickets declared) 547

Wicket fell at: 62, 77, 230, 250, 353, 477, 516 and 520.

Bowling

O M R W
Walker 34 3 137 1
Jenson 36 9 119 2
Dooland 49 11 158 2
Smiles 34 7 97 1
Stocks 5 0 27 1

Nottinghamshire—1st Innings

R. T. Simpson, lbw 36
J. D. Clay, c Langley, b Archer 9
R. Giles, c Langley, b Archer 9
C. J. Poole not out 57
F. Stocks not out 54
Extras 2

Total (for 3 wkts) 177

Wickets fell at: 30, 53, 55.

DAVIS CUP

ITALY MEET DENMARK IN QUARTER-FINAL

Warsaw, May 14.

Italy completed a 5-0 victory over Poland in the second round European Zone Davis Cup tie here today, by winning the two remaining Singles matches.

Italy meet Denmark in the quarter-finals. In today's matches, Giuseppe Merlo beat Andrazek Lisc 3-6, 6-3, 7-5; and Nicola Pietrangeli defeated Vladimir Skopcevi 6-2, 6-2, 6-1.

—Reuters.

GOLF

PLAYER HEADS PGA'S ORDER OF MERIT

Gary Player, the 20-year-old South African Champion, heads the Professional Golfers' Association's order of merit, following his record-breaking win in the Dunlop tournament recently. Player's stroke average is 68.55 for nine rounds.

The next four places are all filled by British internationals—A. Lees (Sunningdale), 69.66; H. Weetman (Cromham Hurst), 69.80; H. Bradshaw (Bournemouth), 70.22; and C. O'Connor (Bundoran), 70.60. —London Express Service.

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THE GAMBOLS



Barry Appleby



For the most refreshing



ARCHIE MOORE IN LONDON



EVEN WITHOUT STAN MATTHEWS AND REVIE...

England Should Pull Off A Continental Hat Trick In Forthcoming Tour

Says VERNON MORGAN

London, May 15.

England, flushed with the success of their comfortable victory over Brazil, left London on their brief Continental tour, confident of beating Sweden, Finland and Germany.

They meet these three opponents on May 16, May 20 and May 26 respectively. Even without the great Stanley Matthews, architect in the English triumph over the Brazilians, who has gone to Kenya to fulfil a coaching engagement, even without Don Revie, the scheming centre-forward who was instrumental in giving Manchester City the coveted Football Association's Cup, the excellent form shown by the Englishmen last week gives every indication that they will pull off a Continental hat trick.

If they fail, their stock will fall once again. The Englishmen take on the Swedes and the Finns at the start of their seven seasons when neither nation has had the opportunity to get together a well-balanced side, while the German national team has yet to find the form which won them the World Championship so unexpectedly in 1954.

The opposition frankly is weak and the least the Englishmen can do to prove that they are at last beginning to climb up the soccer ladder, is to win all three matches by a handsome margin. The Continental tour last year when England failed to win any of their matches against France, Spain and Portugal, and the fact they could only tie the British Championship this year has caused their reputation to slump. They are out to rehabilitate themselves and try to produce a side that will be worthy representative of England in the World Championships in Sweden in 1958.

NO CERTAINTY

They have first not to qualify. This is no certainty unless they improve, for in their qualifying group is Elre, who this week played splendidly to defeat Holland, a team which only recently beat the Germans.

The brilliant patches of form shown by many of England's players against Brazil delighted those many fans who have been waiting more than six long years for a revival. England were not all that good. Too much could be written to the match which England deserved to win by a margin of at least four goals, but at least there were glimpses of really first class play both in attack and defence.



London Express cartoon.

AS WE KEEP ON HEARING ABOUT

ENGLAND'S BATTING PROBLEMS

TOM GRAVENEY AND WILLIE WATSON HAVE LEAPED INTO FORM

Says DENIS COMPTON

We have been hearing so much about England's batting problems for the Tests this summer that I am particularly pleased at the swift leap into form of two of our more experienced players, Tom Graveney and Willie Watson.

Graveney has taken up where he left off in the recent private tour of the West Indies.

Watson, whom I always thought had the gifts and temperament for the big occasion, scored his century off a strong MCC attack at Lord's when the odds were against him.

Graveney, I think, is one of those batsmen who does not mind where he is, whether it be in the number one or number five position. He has a very good temperament and, personally, I see him as an opener, particularly at his best. This applies equally to Peter Richardson and, although I haven't seen anything of him yet in his new position, he must be a good player assessed on results.

Tom's change of position came about after the Fifth Test at The Oval last year when, on his return to the England side, he was asked to play in the number five position. He has since then been playing in that position and has scored three centuries.

I have heard that he is a very good batsman, but I have not seen him play. He has scored three centuries in the last year, but I have not seen him play. He has scored three centuries in the last year, but I have not seen him play.

The Australians have got off to a very good start. Coming directly after captain Ian Johnson's confident predictions, this must serve as a great morale booster for him and his players.

But does that alone make Australia favourites for the Ashes?

I have played cricket too long to make any hard and fast forecasts at such an early stage in the tour.

I would remind you that Lindsay Hassall's team swept all before them at the beginning of the 1953 tour.

They gained four successive victories by an innings, including successes over Yorkshire and Surrey. Yet England regained the Ashes.

There is a world of difference between cricket at Test and County level, especially in England where the talent is spread among 17 counties and the Universities.

One thing we must not forget, however, is that although we won back the Ashes in 1953 and retained them in Australia there

was not a great deal to choose between the two teams.

Even our Australian triumph, convincing enough in a 3-1 win, could easily have been turned in the other direction.

All Australian sides are good cricket sides. No nation has more aptitude for ball games, and the Australians seem to gather strength when they are on tour.

Their powers of recovery are tremendous, as was proved by their unbeaten record in the West Indies just a month or two after being defeated by England and written off in consequence.

This, then, should be another hard, exciting series, but with our strength in bowling I must fancy England's chances.

A tremendous amount, as always in cricket, depends on the state of the pitches. If they are like they were last year we must have an extremely good chance.

Even though it was a dry summer, the pitches at Lord's, Manchester, Leeds, and The Oval gave encouragement to bowlers at one time or other.

Lord's was extremely fast all through; Manchester, too, was quick; Leeds was "green" early on and The Oval first helped the seamers and later the spinners.

If rain is about, our prospects, already good, must improve accordingly.

Our batsmen have greater experience of wet conditions and in Lock, Laker, Appleyard, and Wardle we have four of the finest craftsmen in the world with the ball on a turning wicket.

In any case, England cannot be weak because of the bowlers at our command.

The problem of whom to leave out is just as embarrassing in speed as in spin.

You can have your pick of Tyson—who, from all reports, is in fine form—Statham, Trueman, Loader, and Moss.

And I don't have to remind you that Alec Bedser and Trevor Bailey still know how to "seam" the ball.

PENETRATIVE ABILITY

Indeed, with the obvious penetrative ability of our fast attack, I have a theory that left spinner Doug Wright could be even more a match-winner for England than when he was a regular member of the Test attack.

Like Bedser, Wright was handicapped through having to bowl with little support.

Now that support is there in abundance, Doug's value would be intensified.

I know that he has been playing for a long time, but I would say he is bowling better than ever.

Last season he had a wonderful run in the modest Kent attack. I saw him baffle the Aussies last week at Arundel, and he looked superbly fit.

You can't judge a cricketer by his birth certificate.

My own position? I don't want to make any rash prophecies, but after the second manipulation of my knee I am happier about my cricket future than I have been for several months.

I think I will be more certain of my future in about a fortnight.

In the meantime we can face the summer with optimism and confidence.

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HOCKEY CLUB MEETING

At the annual general meeting of the Hongkong Hockey Club yesterday, the following officers were elected for the coming season:

Captain, T. Chamberlain; Vice-Captain, R. Clark; Hon. Secretary, C. Hays.

Anyone interested in playing for the Club should contact the Secretary, Telephone 37076.

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BRITAIN'S OLYMPIC RIDERS



Members of the party of crack riders from which the British Olympic Equestrian Team will finally be chosen left London Airport last week for Lucerne, Switzerland. Pictured in front row are, Miss Pat Smythe, left, and Miss Dawn Palethorpe. Behind them are, from left: Mr. Wilfred White, Mr. Peter Robeson; Major Dallas; and Australia's Mr. Bert Jacobs.

Express Photo.

FANLING GOLF

S. S. Gordon (76-8-68) won

a monthly Stableford played over the New Course at Fanling during the week-end with a score of 38 points.

J. D. Clague (78-7-71) and T. A. Pearce (78-7-72) were joint runners-up with 35 points

and L. H. Robinson (78-6-73) was in third place with 33 followed by Captain M. Jenkins (78-5-74) and A. F. Sutcliffe (78-3-75) with 32.

W. D. Leighton (80-3-77) 31 and H. W. Heath (82-6-76) with 30 points.

The winner over the Old Course was A. E. Elliott (83-12-71) 34 points, the runner-up being W. A. H. Balfour (84-5-79) with 30.

HOLE-IN-ONE

T. Campbell holed his 4-iron

shot at the 145 yards 12th hole on the Old Course at Fanling on Sunday, May 13, while playing in a four-ball game.

The event was later celebrated in the clubhouse in the usual way.

Members are reminded that entries for the China Golfing Society 18 hole Stableford competition will close on Wednesday, May 23. This competition is open to all members of the Society resident abroad and is not restricted to members of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club.

Circulars have been sent to all members known to be in the Colony and any who may not have received a copy are asked to contact the Secretary of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club (2344B).

SUMMER SCHEDULE

The Summer schedule at Fanling comes into force on Wednesday, May 16, one of the most important changes being that four-ball games may be played over the New Course from 1.30 to 4 p.m. on Saturdays and Wednesdays.

The flood-light practice range at Deep Water Bay is now open from 8.15 to 10.15 p.m. on Wednesdays.

HANDICAP REVISIONS

The following handicap revisions have recently been released: H. M. Adam 14, H. T. S. Muriel 15, G. Choa 16, William Woo 18, S. Y. Lam 24.

Champions Versus Rest Teams

The following players have been selected for the Champion versus the Rest match on Saturday, May 19 at Caroline Hill at 8.30 p.m.

Tam Nai-huen (Sing Tao), Szeto Yiu (KMB), Lau Yee (KMB), Tong Sun (KMB), Lau Tim (KMB), Chan Chi-kong (South China), Chu Wing-wah (South China), Ho Cheung-yau (South China), S. R. Moss (Police), Yiu Cheuk-yin (South China), Mok Chun-wah (South China).

Reserves: Lau Kin-chung (South China), Lau Ching-ching (South China), Luk Fat-hay (South China), Toffrey (Army), Au Chi-yin (Police), Lo Kwai-yau (Sing Tao), Szeto Man (KMB).

Team Manager: Mr. A. Mullen.

Coach: Tom Sneddon.

The following players have been selected to represent the Combined Services in the Victoria Cup match against C.A.A.F. on Wednesday at Club ground at 8.30 p.m.

Chasleworth (Army), Hogan (Army), Martin (RAF), Egerton (Army), Jones (Army), McMillan (Army), McEneaney (RAF), Glasgow (New), Chalmers (Army), McLoughlin (Army).

Reserves: Hall (Army), Cole (Army), Bristol (RAF), Shepherd (RAF), Leonard (RAF), Sleeve (Army), Bennett (RAF).

